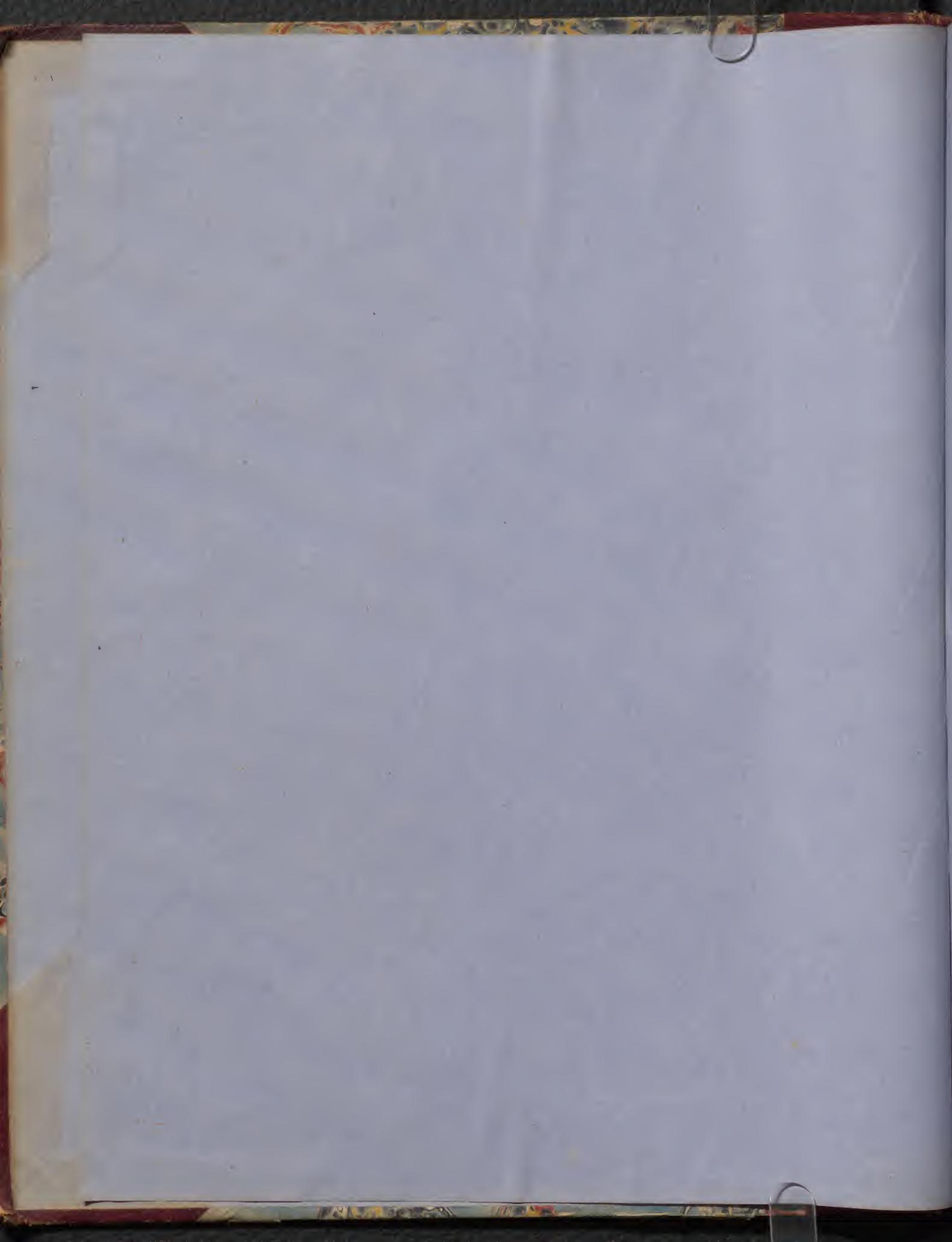
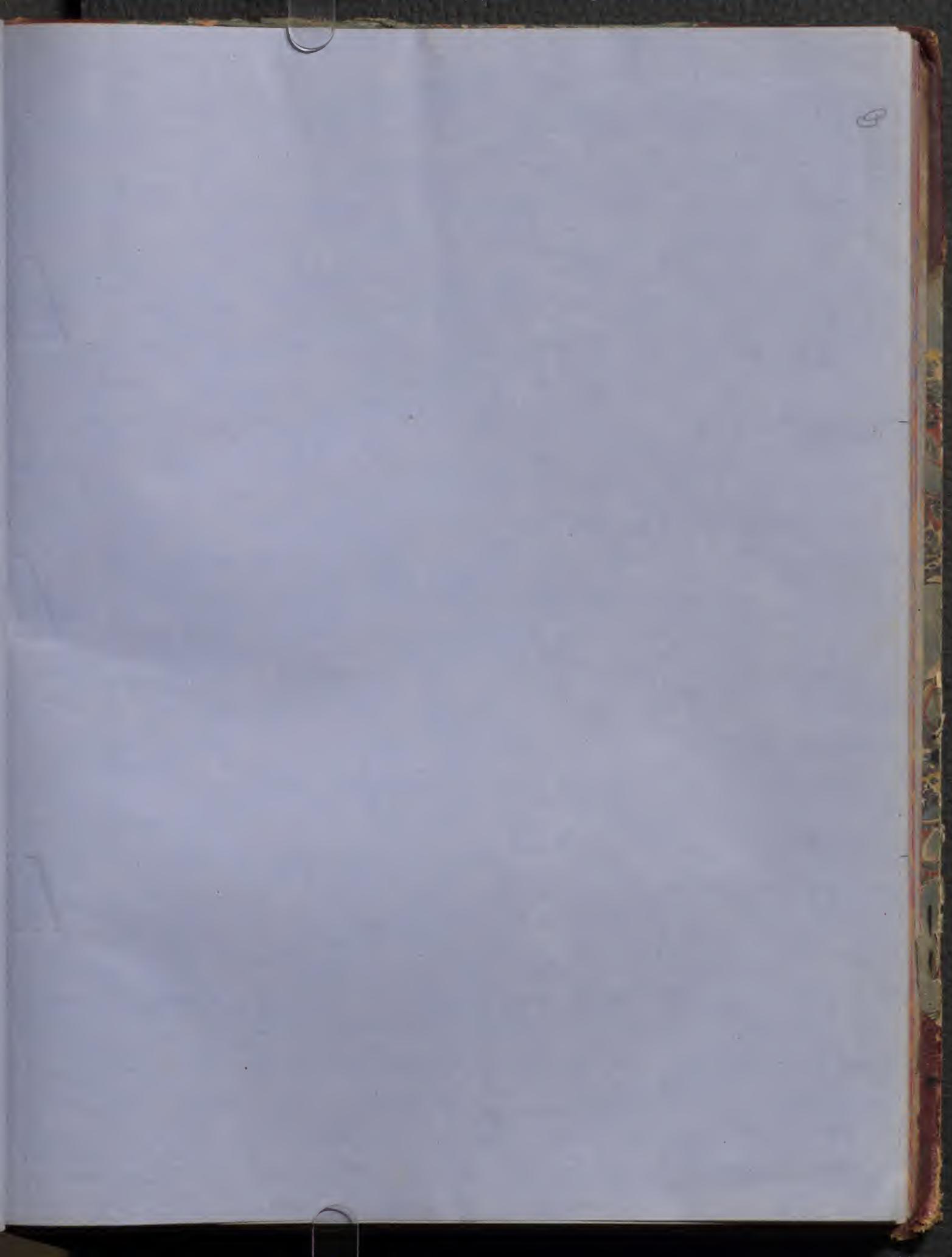


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W^r Jung has given over 30 Music lessons -

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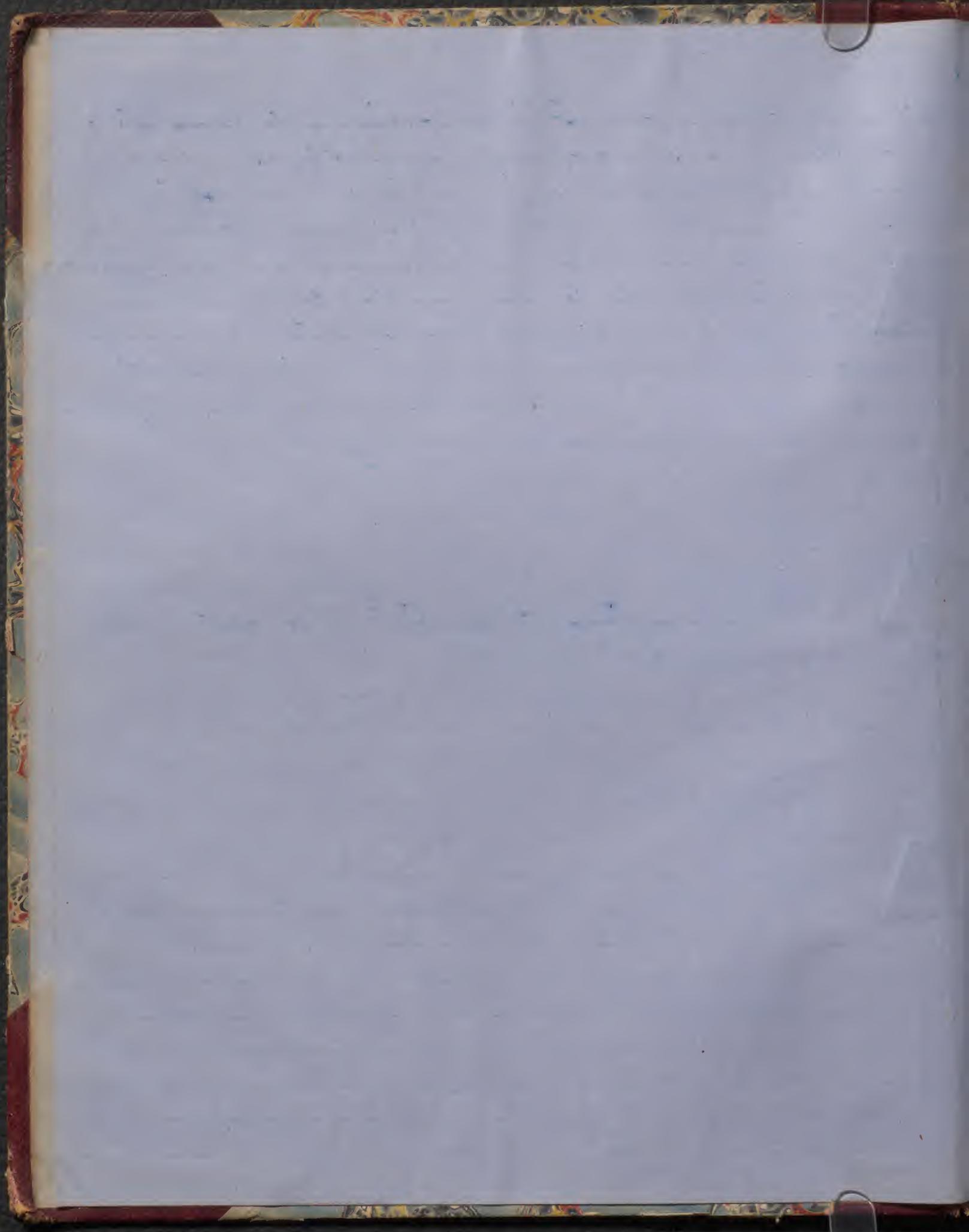
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Monday 12th November. This morning it was cloudy and damp - a few drops of rain in the afternoon the sun came out beautiful and bright - the weather was mild - upon the whole, we a fine open season - I made some nice quince preserves, to-day - they commenced taking up the field turnips, this morning - a Mass of Thanksgiving was sang this morning at the request of the habitants of the Grand' Ligue - appearance of rain to-night —

Tuesday 13th Nov. During the night, it rained and this morning it continued to rain, till about seven o'clock - when the weather cleared up and became most lovely - a beautiful sunrise - a lovely sky - such fine weather, for the season - what a lovely month of November that is, thus far - this evening a glorious sun set - the roads are very muddy.

Hein drove up as far as Phelps with Brunette - will a car have taken much exercise to-day - I took a walk all about the grounds - and esteeming, at every instant, what lovely weather! the temperature is so mild, so balmy — Mamma walked out this afternoon —

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Henry & Theodore

Wednesday 14th No^r again most lovely weather
rather cooler than yesterday - but, so fair
a beautiful such a bright sun -
clear sky - South wind - they woods
have dried - Henry, Webster, and Theodore
arrived by the Stage - we were truly happy
to see them - after Luncheon, we le Cane
went to St George - he returns but to-morrow -
Willy & Cane are so delighted to see their
Cousins, they anticipate much fun
during their visit - I visited the saw
mill, that is, passed through the planches
to see the lower part of the mill, where,
they are at work - it will be a magnificent
mill, when completed - Henry has been
very busy overseeing to the safety of his
logs - ~~through~~ until Spring - the Gaddens
were the persons employed for that kind of work -

Thursday 15th No^r a most lovely day - there was
a heavy frost this morning - it was rather
colder than yesterday - Willy & Cane had great
fun - with Rob and Theodore drawing trunks
from the field - Cane with the Doukay and
Willy with Ramette - we le Cane returned from
St George this afternoon - he found the
woods better, than he expected - they were
busy putting down, most heavy huge logs
below the mill - Hungerford, had so many people

as he could get - to pull on heart's — appearance
of rain for to-morrow. I commenced to embroider
a chair to-day - no doubt, it will take me
years to complete it - I can work at it -
only, for a few moments at a time —

Thursday 16th November It rained with rain, during the
night, and very early this morning it still rained
it thundered & lightened - in the afternoon it cleared
up - with a bold wind - it is freezing hard
to-night - they finished putting in those heavy
logs below the Mill - it is a good job over —
Henry, Jobisher, & Theodore are going down
to sleep at Lawchells to-night - so as to be
ready at day break to go out shooting ducks —
I wish them much luck and success —
Mannum has been complaining of a general
malaise to-day - Will & Law are in perfect
health - Henry, thus far, free from gout —
I wrote to Mr. Luviller to Mr. Verrault and
Mr. Mechitter this morning quite a correspondence
now --

November 17th Saturday — very very cold, it feels like winter — our young men, did not go to sleep at Larochelle — they prefered leaving here this morning at three o'clock — they returned for Luncheon — perfectly frozen, having not seen a single bird of any kind — annoyed and disappointed, to a degree — they went as far as the marsh — they say that just at the dawn of day — they were there, watching on the look out for any thing, that might come in their reach — poor young men; after all their trouble, cold, and misery, not to fire a shot, was too bad — the ground is frozen quite hard — it did not thaw at all to day — I took a long walk with my dear Laro this afternoon — we walked two miles — Will drove to the falls with Henry — it is very cold to-night — a fine moonlight —

Sunday 18th It snowed during the night, the ground, was completely covered — it looks quite winter — the snow did not melt — it was cold & frosty all day — a perfect winter's day — we were all wrapped in our warm cloaks and furs — few people at church — it was closely, cold & disagreeable — the water is very high — Yesterday they worked at the houses to secure them for winter — Henry was there all the time

they will complete, that important work
to-morrow.

Henry, Fred & Theodore - Winter

Monday 19th No mistake, winter has sat in,
in full earnest - it snowed again, a little, during
the night - enough snow has fallen, to remain,
and the ground is well prepared to receive it -
a great many trains & sleighs came to the
mill - they say the winds are better now,
than they have been, in the grand line, for
some time - Henry, Fred and Theodore
left this afternoon by the stage - they will
reach Montreal this evening at 10 past 10 o'clock
they will have had a very cold drive -
onto I fear, not sufficiently clad, to travel
in this cold weather - 5 degrees cold
this evening - some have doubts, about
its being quite winter - as for my part
I am of opinion - that it is winter and
quite winter since yesterday
yesterday evening - he has taken John to-night -

La Storace, in base, with

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Tuesday 20th Bbr a beautiful, bright, cold winter's day - the snow crackling under one's feet - how much, a little more snow, is needed - to make perfect good roads - Henri drove to St Alexandre in the Rodo - he found the roads rough, but still, much preferable to wheeling - ~~track~~ roads - the ice above the Horn - is taken - they expect that, to-morrow a man can walk over it - how very suddenly winter has come on - only a very few days ago, the temperature, was still, mild and balmy - Willy and Laro have such pleasure in driving their dogkay. he goes delightfully on the sleigh - I went to visit a poor old woman of 85 years this afternoon - she looks weak, I do not think she will live long - Mammie is better - Francis's cold is much better to-night - a most lovely moonlight - it is very very cold to-night

Double dashes

Wednesday 21st Bbr Snowing all day - there will be capital sleighing to-morrow - Henri drove down to the Falls this morning, he still found the roads, very rough - this afternoon he & Laro went on a visit to Tessie Desorey - he drove himself with Jerry and in his cutter - he returns early to-morrow - we put up all the Double dashes to-day - also the outer doors - the house is so warm & comfortable -

I made a general tour - from the garret to the
cellar - store room, in fact, every where - but etc
a few places - at one house or place — I have a
head-ache - it is, still snowing — not cold
to-night —

Thursday 22nd Feb. much snow - at least, six inches
fell during the night - This morning early, all
bands, were busy shovelling snow - making
roads in all directions - Billy & Caw were
busy erecting their usual ^{winter} fortifications - they
succeeded, in heaping snow high enough,
to make a Mataho of tower - they enjoyed
this kind of work very much - They also
drove about with their Doukay - they drove
me to church - and upset me in the bargain -
they had great fun — We shall return
from St. Alesandre this evening, he says the
roads are good, sleighing most pleasant -
the stage passed on wheels - his sleigh not being
in readiness - a farmer by the name of Cloutier
came to - they to visit the place, and see what
arrangements, he could make here - he
returned by the stage, as he came - and is
to give an answer to the propositions made
him - a lonely moonlight - 10 degrees cold -

Friday
Saturday 23rd Rob^r a most windy, damp, disagreeable
day - Cloudy - threatening rain or snow -
Henry drove to the Falls this afternoon - I went
out, with Willy & Sam, they drove me to church
with the Doukney - he is quite a favorite of mine -
it is blowing an hurricane to-night - strong
south wind - it looks like rain -
I have a headache - I feel low-spirited -

Saturday 24th Rob^r very very cold all day
a strong wind from the North piercing
cold - I got above to church this morning
but found it so intensely cold in the
afternoon, I did not venture out -

Caro went out with her brother, as
usual - she wrapped well, put on her
Moccasins, and felt quite comfortable -
the bobs were much felt to-day -
Willy drove his Uncle down to Whitney's -
found the woods very rough -
8 degrees cold to-night - they crossed
on the ice above the Dam to-day - on foot -
the grist mill has been very full,
since the winter has sat in -

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Sunday 25th Nov This morning it was cloudy - windy, disagreeable - a great many people at church - the winds very good - this afternoon it blew a perfect hurricane accompa- nied by a heavy fall of snow, which lasted however, but a short time - the wind continued very strong from the southe, quite nabal, stety, damp weather - 2 degrees above to-night - appearance of a great thaw - what a pity, if we were to lose, our winter roads! - Caro & Willy got Madame to make Lattice for them, this evening - they had great fun, in pulling Lattice - its being La Ste Catherine - it is de rigueur to make Lattice - the boys were skating above the Ham - to - day -

Monday 26th Nov What a change - all the snow has disappeared - gone back to wheeling, sleighing, put a side, again - what a pity, we had such good winter roads - it rained in the night - and all day, to-day very nabal - Francis got out some terris, left in the field - having quite given them up - there is no walking any where - there is so much water - the plots formis, like in summer - the fields quite uncovered - the gravel walks quite bare - it looks like spring, not like winter -

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Wednesday 27th Novr. The weather still mild, damp;
it snowed for a short time to-day - but it
melted as it fell - it continued to thaw -
Henry went to the Falls, in Willy's court
the woods capital for wheels I hitch shaded
above the River, this afternoon - I was rather
against it - fearing this great thaw, might
have weakened the ice - however, Henry said
he had walked over it, this morning, and that
it was quite safe — Mr le Cure went on
a ligh car, in the "rang de St Francois Xavier" &
he also, whilst there, made his visitation, in
all the houses, in that direction —

Wednesday 28th Novr. Cloudy Damp & disagreeable
rained for a short time - Messrs Laroque
arrived by the stage - he remains with us till
to-morrow - we were delighted to see him - he is
so amiable - he entertained us the whole evening,
with a description of his travels in Europe -
he is most interesting - Messrs Et Aubin,
arrived a little before dinner time, also -
Messrs Crozier & Desorey, it was a most
charming reunion - they are all so pleasant
and sociable - the roads are good for the waggon,
the snow has all disappeared

Thursday 29th Noⁿ. This morning bright & cold - in
the afternoon it commenced to snow and continued
to do so for a couple hours - after luncheon
Mespire Laroque left by the stage for St John's -
shortly after Henri & Stangerford left, in a wagon
en route for St John's, at a short distance, finding
it continued to snow, they returned, preferring
putting off their trip to Montreal, until to-morrow.
Mespire Crevier & Desorcy returned to their respec-
tive homes this afternoon, Mespire & Aubin -
also the stage passed on wheels to-day -
I have almost decided, upon going in to
town to-morrow, with Henri - if so, we
must leave here, before six o'clock a.m.
so, as to be in time for the first train
which passes at St John's at six o'clock a.m.
it is very cold to-night - it has ceased to
to snow - it is a pity, as very little more,
~~would~~ have made good sleighing -

This evening at 5 o'clock - the Curé
commenced the Prayers - preparatory to the
Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the
B. Virgin Mary - it is a most beautiful
Octave Nove^ra - the small altar was brilliantly
lit, it looking very most imposing, very beautiful
a great many attended -

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Friday 30th November a beautiful bright day, fine
sunshine - but cold, particularly in the morning
I did not venture to go to town, as I had intended
there being no winter roads - I did not like to
go in a waggon - it is so cold & disagreeable
at this season, to go on wheels - Henry left
at 3/4 past first A.M. to take the first train
at 10 minutes of nine - Hungerford went with
him - the roads hard, beautiful dry weather,
to travel - but cold - it has been a corresponding
day with me - I wrote a number of letters -
my dear children are in perfect health -
I feel very thankful for it -

Henry went to town

Henry returned

Saturday 1st December - perfect Spring weather -
the snow has quite disappeared - the roads
very good for wheeling - as the ground, is
still frozen - the foundation is good -
Henry returned from town with Hungerford
this evening at 6 o'clock - he had most
lovely weather to travel - very mild -
the sun was out, so warm & pleasant
all day - the crossing from Montreal to
St Lambert - perfectly free from ice to-day,
the little there was, all floated away this
afternoon - very mild to-night -

Sunday 2nd Dec. perfect beautiful April weather,
a bright sun - so pleasant & balmy - the winds
had been吹拂 a good deal to-day, although, the
frozen foundation, still remains - a great many
people at church - Mamma went to Mass - in
the Cath - Stein is quite well - enjoys this fine
weather - the ice above the River, remains
firm - crowds of boys were skating upon
it - I felt rather anxious to see Willy there,
however he ventured like the rest & it is
cloudy this evening - it looks like rain - —

Lobishers admitted at the Bar.

Monday 3rd Dec - a continuation of very mild weather
spring temperature - Stein went to Bedford to
attend the Mayor's court - Mr le Cure went to
St George this afternoon, remains there, till
to-morrow - South wind to-night - roads
very muddy - no a particle of snow in the
lawn - the grass quite green - I have again
made up my bag, with the intention, of leaving
early in the morning, with Stein for town -
winter weather permitting - Stein Lobishers
was admitted at the Montreal Bar - this morning
at half past ten - may be succeed in the
grand noble professional profession -

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Tuesday 4th Dec.

Montreal

Hann and I left home this morning at 3/4 past five most lovely weather - temperature of the Month April - reached St. John's in two and half hours - the roads not very bad - reached Montreal at 1/2 past ten A. M - not a particle of ice in the river - it looks like summer - the St. John's river, is also perfectly free from ice - What magnificent weather for the season - an extraordinary open season - found James and all the family in good health and spirits - particularly, Gobisher, who feels so happy and delighted to have gone through his examination & with marked success - le voila, Monsieur l'Avocat.

The sun is out, so bright and beautiful - many ladies wear shawls or light autumn cloaks - my nearest biddy is fifteen years old to day God grant him health, wisdom & prudence in all his undertakings - perseverance in his studies -

Wednesday 5th Dec - a continuation of lovely weather - the sun is warm - it feels like the Month May - I called to see my friend Mr. Pinsonnault - found her looking well - I am tired - I have walked a great deal to day - visited Misses here to day I was glad to see him - I have fulfilled my short list -

Malmison

Thursday ^{the} 6th Dec. — Henri and I left Montreal at 7 o'clock
evening — the weather most delightful — we witnessed
the rising sun, just as we left — it was most brilliant,
the beautiful golden clouds, and clear sky offered
a splendid sight — we reached Lachine at a
few minutes before 12 O'Clock — just in time for
luncheon — I found my dear children in
perfect health, Mammas also, they were all
delighted to see me home again — the
roads not as good as when we passed through
on Tuesday morning — it has thawed very much
since two days, although, there is still a formation
in some places — Mr. le Cure returned from
St Athanase, where, he had gone, yesterday —
Mispic Fitzgerald arrived this afternoon, he —
remains till to-morrow — I am very tired
Henri drove so fast from St John's last — we
were only two hours and five minutes — en
route — it is almost incredible in such roads —

Friday ^{the} Dec. Last night it rained for a short time,
then it became sleet — most damp and disagreeable,
all day — this afternoon, it was very cold, to-night
it is freezing hard — the ice above the Dam, is still
good — there is always some on cropping out of
the frost — this evening terminated the Prayers of the
Venera — it looks like snow — Henri placed some
wine in the cellar to-night —

Saturday 8th Dec. - beautiful bright clear sun - shined all day - but cold - this morning & Negreed - the roads ~~were~~ very hard - the ice above the Town, was covered with ~~shaters~~ - it was such fine glare ice - a great many people at church - mamma is well - she went to Mass - not a particle of snow to be seen anywhere - the grist mill continues to be well occupied - no ice, on the St Lawrence. as free, as in summer - James Hayes, who has just arrived, tells us so —

Sunday 9th Dec. - This morning it snowed and continued to do so, till this afternoon, when it turned into rain - what a pity - at there was great appearance of our having winter roads - notwithstanding the bad weather - there were a great many people at church - the ice was so covered, with snow after vespers - that there was no more skating - it is still raining this evening -

Monday 10th Dec - It rained by torrents this morning
and part of the forenoon - and then, the snow came
on - it has quite covered the ground - it really
looks, like winter, in full earnest, it continued
to snow to-night - how much pleasure
to have winter roads, than to go on wheels - as
we have done, to this day - Mr le Cure is
suffering from a rheumatic pain, in his
necks - he looks quite pale upon it - dear
lady complains of a pain in her knee - I
fancy, it nothing else, but, a growing pain
my poor old Mother has not been well -
to day - she fell a general malaise - owing
to change of weather, no doubt - Henri, thus,
far, is getting on very well - goes out, at
all temperatures - how very thankful we feel,
for such a boon - God! grant it may
last. Madame commenced washing the church linen
to day -

Tuesday 11th Dec - This morning, cold & cloudy 8 degrees
below - a piercing cold wind - Mr le Cure
taking a grand nap in the vestry - it was warm
and comfortable there after Luncheon - Henri
seems to be Alexandre - Mr le Cure commenced
his visitation) seems to song St Jean Baptiste,
the grand-line, the roads very rough -
more snow, much needed - what fell
last night, drifted and is so light, that it

does not cover the ground sufficiently —
Willy & Curo had great fun this afternoon
driving their donkey — it is very cold to-night
no mistakes, this is winter —

Sawyer now back to-day

Wednesday 12th Dec. — a most beautiful bright
cold winter's day — this afternoon, particularly,
the sun was so brilliant, the sky so clear,
and beautiful — the roads very bare — a
few inches of snow, would not much improve
them — after breakfast Stein went to Bedford
to preside as Warden, over the County Council —
~~he~~ he came back after luncheon from Algonquie —
he was not well — we even thought it, imprudent
for him to travel — it is very cold to-night —
a beautiful starry sky — the Ferry boats to
St Lambert ~~running~~ stopped this afternoon —

Thursday 13th Dec. Dull and cloudy all day, not
cold — ~~over~~, ~~wants~~ to see it looks like snow
but still, none fell — it is very much
needed — sleighing is very bad — this
afternoon Stein went to the Falls — found
the roads very bare — he is returned
from Algonquie this evening — he is not yet
well — still complains — Willy & Curo took a

very long walk with their Uncle - Billy went in
of nest, of squirrels - he expected to fire at a few,
was disappointed, saw none - very mild
this evening - it looks like rain - the grise
grill doing good business - water, good -
this evening Mr. Le Cure received a most magnificent
Chamchlit Vaseal, it is the finest of its kind in Canada.

Friday 14th Dec - This morning it was rather cloudy -
this afternoon the sun came out bright & beautiful -
not at all cold - pleasant temperature - what a
 pity no winter sounds - it was pleasanter on wheels
to day than otherwise - Henry did not go about
as much as usual, to day - he has a cold
in his head - a slight sore throat - he has
taken cold - I hope he will soon get over
it - he walked to the grill this afternoon -
Mr. Le Cure's continued his visitation now he
was away from Baptiste - this afternoon - Billy
drove him as far as Spear's and he walked
on from house to house - Billy went back
for him, at Suprise's - very soft & mild
to-night - it looks like snow -
to-day 8 years my poor dear sister died -
it was an uncommon open season - the
ferry boats, which, until the 14th of Dec. that year

Saturday 15th Dec. This morning it snowed for
a short time - then it rained - then again
the weather became clear & fine - very
mild, all the time - there was a beautiful
rain-bow - a sure criterion of mild weather,
so, weather-wise people say - this afternoon
Frisher, a Theodore arrived by the stage
they crossed at $\frac{1}{2}$ past seven o'clock A.M.
the crossing as fine, as in summer - they
were only 20 minutes crossing - in a
comfortable boat - with the sail up -
I'll be sure ordered from H. Benjamin's -
a most beautiful Chinese workbasket, a
perfect bore - he presented to it, to me
as a New Year's gift - I appreciate it, very
much - particularly, in the handsome manner
in which it was done - Frisher brought
it - it reached in perfect order - it is
really, very, very pretty - I do not know, when,
I have seen any thing, that took my fancy
so much - Mamie is well - she went to
church this morning to receive - it is very
mild to-night - Henri went to St. Alexandre
this afternoon - the stage was on wheels
to-day -

Sunday 16th Dec. This morning very mild the roads
very soft - this afternoon it rained big torents, a
great many people at church - perfect going
on wheels - it felt like spring to-day -
What extraordinary weather for the season
12 years to-day, poor Curé de Deshusses died -
It was also an open season, that year -
it is still raining to-night - Henn announced
bad weather, he feels gouty - he says, there is
something brewing - favors Baromètre souffrant
I have a headache, I am out of spirits -

Monday 17th Dec. Lovely spring weather, so mild
and soft only 1 degree cold this morning -
after luncheon Henn went to Price's Foundry -
the roads beautiful and even - not a ~~bit~~ rut -
but, the top ice or ^{snow} melted, made the roads
very muddy - Mr Le Lini commenced his visitation
"Vans le rang St Joseph" that is, the bridge - Hilly
drove him as far as Lareau's, and went for
him at Brady's - Fisher a car have been
busily making handsome transparents for
the Trieste de Minuit - appearance of a
continuation of mild weather.

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Tuesday 18th See. rather colder to-day than yesterday but, still, most lovely weather - beautiful bright sun - Wheeling very good - the roads, like a rail-road - Henri went to the Falls after breakfast - this morning he came ^{to} me on a sick call "I have been very st Paul" - he made his visit there at the same time - he returned late for his luncheon - immediately after, he left again, for another sick call "I have been very St Joseph" - and his return from there - he went off again, on a third sick call to Harris's Foundry - it was ^{1/2} past six o'clock when he returned for his dinner - this afternoon, I took a long walk with Francis - we went as far as Paradise and returned by the ice - it was beautiful walking - I was delighted with my walk - I wished a law continue to be very industrious, making very pretty transparencies - Henri feels gouty, his poor feet ache so much, at night - he feels tired - poor Henri! he is a young, old man; how sad! that he should be such a martyr, to such an awful malady - where, there is so little ^{to be done} to alleviate his pain - it is almost disheartening - God, grant he may be free from gout this winter -

Wednesday 19th Dec. a continuation of very delightful weather - fine sunshine - only ~~4~~ degrees cold this morning
Mamma has a cold - poor dear old mother. She is not well - she takes ~~to~~ laudanum - last night it proved beneficial - Stein goes about as usual - This afternoon he took a walk on the ice, returned very much fatigued - his poor feet & legs painful - John and Lippie were busy ~~sitting~~ and packing, most beautiful pack - we have never had such a fine lot before - it is so fat & heavy - Madame has been making ~~black~~ puddings, ~~sausages~~, ~~collard~~ head and all sort nice things - in the ~~pork~~ way - this morning Mr le Cure finished visiting ~~the~~ very St Joseph - this afternoon he went to St George - he only returns ^{again} to-morrow - a lovely bright moon - appearance of fine weather -

Yester the children drove ~~with~~ the dog ~~about~~ on the ice - they enjoyed themselves very much - Yester evening are again making a very handsome transparent - very large - Yester has a great deal of taste - he is ~~too~~ an artist, in that sort of nice work -

Thursday 20th Dec - This morning it was cold - 12 degrees - such a beautiful clear sky - lovely sunshine - at noon, the temperature was most delightful - the roads for whacking - have never been, so fine, as they are at present - John finished ~~sitting~~ & packing our beautiful box of pork - this afternoon - I took a drive with Cino on the ice - We drove up with the Doukay he goes lightly - we ate dinner from St George in time for dinner - Mr Collin - a Belgian Cook, arrived here by the Stage - former sent her on, to see, whether she would suit us - she brought her poor little Baby - he was almost frozen - I do not know if, she will answer our purpose - I have my doubts - however, - a fine moonlight & appearance of more bright weather - a rainbow was again visible to-day -

Friday 21st Dec - Not very cold - but damp & disagreeable - a strong South wind - the roads dry & dusty - we have never seen better travelling, during the fine season - not even, as good - Braunkra's cold, is very much better - Hein goes about as usual - Although he feels a pain now & then - Madam, has made a quantity of black pudding, sausages & collared head - they all taste very nice - it is blowing a perfect hurricane to-night -

no doubt, this South wind - will bring on a change
of weather - every one are asking for snow —
the ice is beautiful - the children drive on it
very long — with their favorite Soukay — so does
Henry — he also, enjoys a turn on the ice, with
French —

Saturday 22nd Dec. Very very mild, cloudy - it
~~threatened rain~~ all day — till, at last, it came
in full earnest, this evening, it is now
pouring with rain — this morning, the
Mr. Collins, who, came here to engage, as a
~~professed~~ ^(to be) I sent back, by the stages —
how impudent — to try to impose, upon people,
in this manner — Henry is not well, he
has a cold — he coughs — he complains of a pain
between his shoulders — he took a drive, this
afternoon with Iroquois — they both returned
covered with snow — what extraordinary
weather for the season —

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Sunday 23rd Dec - what very extraordinary weather for the season! it rained all night - and even this morning at seven, it was still raining - it cleared up about nine o'clock & in it looked so much like spring, all day - this morning and this evening 1 degree above the roads very muddy - although they are fine a hard - no water no ruts - it is certainly an uncommon season - there were few people at church, to-day - it rained again to-night - or present it has ceased - appearance of fine weather - after vespers I wished practised the singing - in full choir - for the grand feast of Christmas - I listened from below - the effect was good - I went with Henri to visit Hungerford's workshop - he has, beautiful patterns made for the saw mill - he is certainly, an ingenious workman -

Monday 24th Dec - It froze hard last night - the weather beautiful a clear to-day - high wind, quite cold - although only 5 degrees cold - it still was very penetrating - the roads like in summer, nor a particle of snow - how unusual at this season - Henri & I went to Stowbridge village this morning - they had a cold windy drive - the roads beautiful, like

a rail-road - Henry arrived by the stage - James did
not come - he is ill, with the Influenza - he will pass
a lonely Christmas - beautiful skating - Billy, Caro
a Skoldore took advantage of it, they skated this
afternoon for some hours - they also drove with
their Sorkey - Henry also - Francis & Henry enjoyed
a drive - they all like the Sorkey very much -
grand preparations were made to day for
the Midnight Mass as well, as for the great
Festival of to-morrow - the brilliance of the
Altar to-night, was most magnificent - it is
impossible to describe such a solemn, imposing
Least - the Church was beautifully lit - the
Crib was still more beautiful than past
years - the singing very good - Robicker played
the organ with such perfect taste & feeling -
Henry was quite impressed with this the
whole of the ceremony - my heart is too full -
I cannot express all I feel - I sat, downstairs
to pray, avec recueillement & sans distractions -
I tried to do my best - may, my humble prayer
be heard - God! grant that health to poor
Henry - is my daily prayer - the Chandlier
Paschal - is truly magnificent - it is the largest
of the kind, which has, as yet, ever been
imported - it is certainly very beautiful -
it looked grand - Mr. Le Erie is tired -
he has had a great deal to do - a very
great number of persons received - upwards
of a hundred a thirsty - dear Billy & Caro say

most sweetly - I was delighted with their singing -
a lonely bright moon - very cold -
appearance of snow - a great crowd at
church - all so peaceful & respectable -

Tuesday 25th See Noel - This morning at
seven - great, was my surprise, to find
the ground quite covered with snow -
enough to take the sleigh - although, a
little more, would be needed, to make
the road good - it is cold, windy -
there was a great many people at ground
mass - we be here after saying a few
words to the Zion congregation - made a
very handsome ^{service} in French - the singing
again, this morning, was very good -
we be here gave the Vain bénit - a very nice
one - this afternoon, at ^{the} just four O'clock -
hymns were sang - inspired St Aubin and
Lesoney came to assist, and make the
Zet still more solemn - besides St Aubin
sang hymns - we be here went up to the organ
and there he sang, every thing - his angélus,
he sang, most beautifully in fact - all
he sang, was tres très bien - as for Zet who
he surprised himself, in his beautiful playing -
he accompanied so brilliantly - so tastefully -
poor Mamie was deprived of going to church

to day she is not well - the altar was still more brilliant,
than last night - Madame had shown such good taste
in her parure a arrangement of the lights & tapers
for the Saint, it was indeed, a very grand sight-
according to me, such a coup d'oeil, is not to be
seen or met with, very frequently - it was magnifi-
cent - my heart throbbed with happiness, a delight
to witness, all this - a great many people at vespers,
we dined at suech R. M - Misses de Savoy left
after dinner - it is cold, snowing - Gaspard & Aubain
remains until to-morrow -

I took snow of all lines last night.

Wednesday 26th Dec. most awful bristly weather,
a heavy fall of snow - cold, a pondée - it
blew a perfect hurican - a most bitter winter's
day - in the afternoon, the sun came out, but
the wind a pondée continued - it is astonishing
all the snow, that has fallen, since last evening -
Misses de Aubain left after breakfast - thanks,
to Henry, & Wh, Theodore, with a Car, if the platforms
are so nicely shovelled - they made a snow
plough and cleaned the platform as far as the
bridge - they shovelled away the snow for hours -
Car is very tired to-night - the frost bit
her cheeks - Mammie is better - a beautiful
starry sky - the wind has fallen - a lovely clear
night - the walls are very heavy -

Thursday 27th Dec. This morning it was very pleasant, although very cold - 13 degrees - but, there was no wind - and the sunshine so bright & beautiful - in the afternoon the wind coming from the west blew very strong - and there again we had a fondrière - after luncheon Henry went out driving, with Felix, Frob and Thivier he drove the horses - he certainly gave them exercise in full style - he went to Dufresne's then to Bedford - all this water was gone in no time - I could hardly believe, they had gone so far, in so short a time - This afternoon we le carri left for St George - he returns to-morrow - the roads are very full - appearance of more snow -

Friday 28th Dec - More snow - the platforms were again covered with deep snow - the weather cloudy, cold, and disagreeable - Henry went out again with the horses - it seems they went beautifully - we le carri returned from St George, very early this morning - he said his Mass at the usual hour - the river below the dam is nearly all frozen up - there is here a there an opening - the roads are very heavy - Henry took out the young colt, folley) he is very kind and well mouthed - he goes to the sleigh very

nicely - to - day, all the French were busy building
snow forts — one is the Malakoff & the other the
Redan — to - morrow there is a grand apparatu,
to be given, over the Malakoff — clear starry sky —
appearance fine weather

Saturday 29th Dec. - Intensely cold 24 degrees this
morning — it was cloudy the greatest part of
the day in froid noir — Henry has taken
cold he ought to - night we will be visited
by Madame Pierre to - day — Willy has parted
with poor dear little Brunette — he exchanged with
J. Demers for a dark bay mare — much is said
about her — she is a wonderful, by all accounts —
but still, I regret Brunette — Henry drove the
mares one after another single — they both went
very well — 16 degrees cold to - night —
I laid down my papage carpet this afternoon —
also a new square under the dining table —

Sunday 30th Dec. another fall of snow — quite
deep snow — the roads very full — when
we went to church — it was very boisterous —
very cold — few people at church — the roads
a jumble, impossible to come out with any
comfort — still very cold to - night —

Monday 31st Dec - Cloudy, damp & disagreeable -
there was a sunrise this morning - it
did not last very long - the winds very
heavy - the people are taking down their
fences - Willy drove out to-day with his
Thouquette - he likes her very well - he says
she goes much faster than Grenette - and
that she is very pleasant to drive -
Caro went out to take a drive as far as
the Falls, with her Brother a Fish - Henry
drove out the Mares - single - they go very
quietly - this is the last evening of the year 155 -
what is in store for 156? the Almighty alone
knows it - may we bend down with
Tuberculosis & resignation - to whatever may
happen - God! grant that all those who are
dear to me - and to whom I cling the most -
may live, as perfect good Christians - look in
all things and above all - the love of God! and
put every thing in the hands of Divine
Providence - Henry coughs - he has yet a
slight touch of the Lupus - poor f'mme. Lujur
is still very ill - not cold to night -

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Tuesday 1st January 1856. very beautiful bright weather - a pleasant winter's day & not too cold - the roads better beaten, much harder - after vespers I wo went out driving with Louie a Billy Harry & Theodore in an other direction - Miss McAdam came to dine with Mr Le Lire - he remains until to-morrow - Henry's cold is better, to-night - Mammie has a slight touch, of the Influenza - my dear treasures are in perfect health - I feel so thankful for such a boon - a beautiful Harry they - They received a telegraphic from Lucy - crossing - says -

Wednesday 2nd January - most pleasant weather, mild, in comparison, of the cold we experienced since some days - the roads good - This morning at six o'clock Henry, Louie Theodore left for the station en route for Montreal - Bazile drove them - they certainly had lousy weather to travel - Mr Le Lire off after lunch for St Athanase - Henry drove out one of the Mares - Billy went with him - after having having given a drive to his sister, with his bourgette appearance of fine weather - It has been a corresponding day with me - I scribbled off several letters Henry's Influenza is better - he does not mind it - he is out continually -

Henry, Theodore & Theodore

1856

Thursday 3rd Jan. a heavy fall of snow - it snowed all day a very mild temperature - this afternoon the snow was heavy & wet - after breakfast, Henri a Billy went to the Bay - to the Agricultural exhibition, Thomas drove them with the Mares - Francis did not feel well enough to go - Mr le Curé returned from St Athanase this afternoon - strong wind from the South to - night - it looks like rain - we received a note from Job - they reached Montreal at 11 o'clock A.M - he says the river full of ice and the crossing unsafe -

Friday 4th Jan. Most intensely cold - such a sore, bitter sting we have had of it - a piercing wind - which froze you, in no time, there an awful frolic in the course of the night - the woods so full, this morning there was not a track to be seen - after breakfast Henri drove as far as Phelps with Billy - although, they were but a short time absent, still, they were frozen when they returned - Billy's cheeks were frost bitten - Mr le Curé attempted to continue his visitation in the evening at Edward, finding the roads blocked up with snow he had to turn back - Miss Fitzgerald came in a few moments before dinner - he was

returning from St John's - it is very very cold to-night, 23 degrees at 8 o'clock - what with the snow-plough & shovelling, they manage, to keep the platform from here to Church in good order, pleasant walking - this morning several oies de bous were to be seen - a sign of great cold - some people say -

Saturday 5th Jan - still very very cold 23 degrees this morning - however, no wind or snowdrift, which makes the intense cold, more bearable. Henri went out with Willy - in Willy's own sleigh. Covo found it so cold, he preferred remaining at home, and making herself useful, in the way of making biscuits and other nice things - Mr le Curé continued his visitation, down the road to Edward's - day - Meier took him round - Messire Littergat returned to Dunham after breakfast - cloudy & cold to-night - 16 degrees.

Sunday 6th Jan - It was very cold to-day - but, a beautiful sunshine and a lovely clear sky - many people at church - Willy a Covo sang during Mass - the Chantres and the little boys joined in the chorus - I missed Krishner's good playing - Messire Dupuis came to dine with Mr le Curé,

we fully expected a number of other Priests - as the
Vesuvius was to be here this evening - they did
not come, being detained by wants of their
ministerial occupations — Henri has a cough
which fatigues him — I hope and pray he may
soon get rid of it — — dear Caro has a
headache this morning —

Monday 9th Jan — Cold, windy, disagreeable,
a quieting cold — the roads very good —
after breakfast Henri went to Kedford, to
preside the Mayor's Court — Joseph Dupuis
returned to his home after London — Mr le Cure
went to St George — returned for dinner —
Willy & Caro went out snow shopping — they
enjoyed it very much — this afternoon —
Mrs Pearce arrived — we were all delighted to see
her — she found the children so much
grown — it was perfect happiness to Willy &
Caro to see their Nurse — who has lived so
many years with us — she is looking very
well — a strong South wind to-night —

Tuesday 8th Jan - most awful boisterous weather.
it blew a perfect hurricane - such a foudre;
at times, we could not see as far as the gate -
the accumulation of snow every where, is not
to be told - Mr le Cire continued his sounds
to-day - near Dodd's - and wished to have gone
on to Morris's - but, impossible - there was
no road - it had been a most severe, bitter
day - to-night, it blows, very much like
a tournament - Nadeau left by the stage to-day
for St John's - Mr Jang came this forenoon,
to give Caro her music lesson - he says, it
was only snowing a peu, when he left - Henri
is pretty well - the children continue to enjoy
Louise's visit - The ice taken opposite
Montreal - crossing good at St Lambert, since
yesterday - the usual winter traveling accommodation
all in readiness - Nadeau left to-day for St John's
by the stage -

Wednesday 9th continuation of most boisterous
weather - very cold - blowing most
dreadfully - a foudre - to blind one -
Mr le Cire left after breakfast, with the
intention of going to Hembridge village - he
had to return, he could not get on further, than
Robinson's, nor even, that far, he had to
plough his way through very deep snow -

Henni drove down to the Falls with the horses
he is, he never experienced a more bitter day -
15 degrees cold to-night - it is still blowing
a piercing cold wind -

Thursday 10th Jan - again a most dreadful stormy
day - an awful pondice - a piercing cold
wind - the snow drifting in every direction
the roads, almost impassable - nothing doing
in the woods - no one able, to go to the
woods, either to cut fuel, or make shanty's -
Henni exchanged, one of the Canadian horses (Chartier)
for a large black horse, of Trouvelot's (Savage)
they say, he is a capital horse - will purchase
Mr le Curé's black sleigh & harness, to-day - it
will ^{make} a handsome turnout, for his Donkey -
as the sleigh is small - it is blowing a
hurricane to-night -

Friday 11th Jan. very cold & drifting the roads
awfully bad - so heavy, so full - banks
of snow every where - Mr le Curé was quite
in readiness to go to the Bay on a mission -
but, finding, there was no roads - he was
obliged to put off the mission to a later period -
Henni drove a short distance - he says the
roads are impassable - they are also very bad

in the grand' line — I received a note from Mr. DeWolfe
the 1st of Jan. — She has got off her visit to Island Marion, until February —
with a Car went out snowshoeing — I have a
dreadful toothache —

Saturday 12th Jan — pleasant weather — how much
we enjoy it, after the long continuation of intense
cold, which we have had, since some time —
the Sun came out so bright a beautiful
this afternoon — the temperature, mild a
pleasant to a degree — what a happy change!
the roads are very bad — every where —
Nadeau returned from St. John's by the stage —
this afternoon — Stein coughs to-night —
John, brings in, every day — a beautiful bouquet
of roses — so varied & sweet — also, Camellias
which are very beautiful —

Sunday 13th Jan — a heavy fall of snow again —
the roads so full & heavy — few people at
church — Stein coughs, a good deal — he did not
venture out to-day — after vespers — we le. Cuné
left for St. Athanase, and wrote for St. Hyacinthe — Beside
saw him — I have such a head-ache — that
I have neither spirit nor courage, to scribble to-night.
my dear treasures are in perfect health —

Monday 14th Jan - What is to become of us? again
a snow storm - accompanied by strong wind -
there are no roads - we are perfectly in
Siberia - Nourrice left, this afternoon by the
stage - fearing, that the drifting - would make
the roads, impassable - to - morrow - there is
much better to - day - he does not cough, near
so much - he went out, as usual - with a
Caro attempted going snowshoeing - but, finding
the snow storm, did not abate, they had to
give it up - I received a letter from W^d Penrudd
to - day - she says her health, is improving fast -
she is delighted with Ireland — it continues
to snow - not cold - fortunately -

Tuesday 15th Jan - What a relief, to be blessed with
a fine bright morning - after so much
snow & boisterous weather! - the temperature
has been pleasant to - day - a beautiful
clear sky - it was a quiet evening -
Herrin went to Bedford after breakfast
for the Lake of the Lower Falls Bridge -
it was old three hundred & ninety nine
pounds, fifteen shillings - passed by
bid off by Mr Nelson Boches - as lowest
bidder - it is with difficulty - two sleighs
can meet - the depth of snow, is awful, to throw
oneself aside - a most sad accident happened

this afternoon - a poor little boy of 5 years old
cut his four fingers, clear of - with an axe - he
is the child of a poor widow - how very sad!
it is his right hand - why will children touch
sharp edged tools - - - the platform is very
nicely shovelled - it makes a very nice walk-

Wednesday 16th Jan - This morning, the weather
fine & pleasant - this afternoon, a heavy fall of
snow - drifting with a south wind - we have
never seen so much snow - in the Township -
Herr coughs less - with two amus'd themselves
with their donkey - he is not always Obedient
or tractable - they drove me to church, this
morning - I got there in no time - he is very
Swift Wadstr Jack - when he like - I continue
to embroider every day - I hope to finish, the
back of my chair, to-morrow - my dear
old Mother is well - she went this winter
winter, very well, thus far - -

Thursday 17th Jan - Cloudy - but pleasant in the
morning - this afternoon a little snow - but not cold -
the roads very bad - so full a heavy -
such a deal of snow - this afternoon I went
round with Cato to pay a visit - to all our
cottagers - they are all so comfortable, a happy, &

to escort a team - Willy went out driving
with his Father - appearance of more snow -
What is to become of us - - -

Henry went to town

Friday 18th Jan. very mild and pleasant -
a few flakes of snow fell to-day -
but, until, the weather was delightful -
this morning at 1/2 past six o'clock, Henry
left for town - we were rather apprehensive
of his losing the first train - having left
later than he expected - Bazile having
come so much later, than expected -
however, I heard this evening he had reached
quite in time - a full $\frac{1}{4}$ of an hour before
the time - the roads passable -

Ms le Curé returned this afternoon from
his visit to St Hyacinthe - he says our
dear kind Bishop is in perfect health -
Ms le Curé brought a magnificent book
'La vie de la Vierge' - it is so beautifully
got up - it is a very handsome volume -
I am very fond of it - Willy a caro were
not forgotten - they also, received each a
volume of a very handsome book -
it is so kind and generous, of Ms le Curé
to bring us some souvenir or other,
Whenever he goes to Montreal - I rejoice
at this pleasant mild weather, on account

Henri came back from town.

of Henri, I sincerely hope & trust - change of air, will do him good - he requires some change - he has a cough - which makes me feel anxious - he has promised faithfully to consult Dr Campbell - I hope he will do - a beautiful bright moon - not cold - I have a head-ache - I feel low spirited -

Saturday 19th Jan. a beautiful bright day, but, intensely cold - Henri returned from Montreal ~~that~~ at three quarters past five, P.M - he was frozen - the roads from St Athanase to St Alexandre very bad - many ~~carrots~~ - from St Alexandre here - very good - Henri left St Johns Yr just three ^{on} he came ~~very~~ well - a most brilliant moonlight -
21 degrees cold tonight - Henri still coughs a great deal - he has a slight pain, in his foot - I hope - he will feel better to-morrow - he is very tired - he retired early -
Caro is so delighted - her Papa brought her a nice pair Moccasins -

Sunday 20th Jan. Intensely cold, this morning - a most beautiful sunshine - a lovely day - so pure - the roads very good & a great many people at church - Henry did not go out to-day - his cough, is much the same - he requires to remain indoors, for a few days, to nurse himself - after vespers - Will & Caro drove as far

where's in the Fridge - they found the beaten track so narrow - they had to put their shaft, straight - instead of side ways - despite of Aubain came to dine with Mr. le Cerci, he returned home - after having played a few games at cards - The moon is so beautiful & bright - not as cold, as it was - 17 degrees below - to - night Mamma's eyes - are very sore - she is deprived of reading -

Henry with the family
in France

Monday 21st Jan - The weather fair & bright, very warm in the morning - the roads good - but, very deep snow, when, obliged, to give the entire of the road - it is awful to go aside - poor Henry has an attack of the gout in his knee - God, grant he may soon get rid of it - he still coughs - Mr. le Cerci visited the village of Stambridge to-day - he returned for dinner - Henry, as you

does not suffer, very much - his knee is a little swollen-
still, we are thankful to Providence, he has been
spared from gout - until now - I hope a grave,
it may be, but, a slight attack —

Tuesday 22nd Jan. This morning intensely cold - 24 degrees
the sun was bright & beautiful - the temperature
became very pleasant towards the afternoon
Caro enjoyed it - sheling with Cobagan —
Henri is better - he took "Cochine & Colchicum"
this morning, which proved, most efficacious -
the pain in his knee has left him - he now
only, experiences, une sensibilité, when he moves
the limb - I thank Providence most
fervently — he kept his bed all day - on
account of his cough, which is yet, troublsome —
Mamma's eyes are better - will went about
to-day on different errands, for his Vapor —
we are here took an early breakfast - and left
to continue his visitation to day - he visited
Bellford - rang at Patrice, - he found the
weather beautiful - the roads very good —
I hope Henri will rest well to-night —
I have a headache —

Wednesday 23rd Jan - a most pleasant day - not cold - a beautiful bright sun - Hein is very much better - his wrath quite on the decrease - his gout seems to have left him - now very thankful, I feel to Divine Providence to see him, so much better - he got up to take Luncheon with us - this evening, played a game ^{at} Cards - I hope he will continue so, and be quite himself again - in a few days - Mamma is not well - she complains of a fullness in her chest - Mr le Curné finished his Parochial visit to-day - he is delighted, the tache is over - Corio and I took a long walk - we went to Jardins de la Grotte - there is a great deal of snow on the ice - I finished working a part of one of my Pie-Dieu's - I rather like the pattern - a lovely bright moon -

Thursday 24th Jan - This morning it was very cold - although, only 10 degrees below - we went to church early - Hein is not quite as well as yesterday - however, he got up, for Luncheon he suffers from his knee - there is no doubt, he feels the change of weather - it is blowing, whd - a little gouelée - all boisterous a storm - it is almost, boisterous, to-night - Mr le Curné left after breakfast, for St Alexandre

to attend the Ecclesiastical Conference, which takes place at Bishop Desorcy's this year — Caro had a music lesson to day — Mr. Jung came — he had not come, since, some time — Mariana is better — I hope a truce, she will be all right, to-morrow —

Friday 25th Jan — a most severe bitter cold day 18 degrees this morning with a strong wind from the N. E. — a poudre which filled the roads — Stein has suffered excruciatingly all day — this afternoon, he took Cochaux's Catechism — a pity — he gave it up so soon — he fell so much last Wednesday, after having taken some — he did not deem it necessary to take more — there, he was wrong — I hope he will pass a better night, thank, we can anticipate, for the moment — the paroxysms are so long and continued — he ^{came} returned early this morning to say Mass — he left after communion to go to St George — how very cold — Stein seems a little quieter — God grant he may rest a few moments —

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Saturday 26th Jan - a beautiful bright winter's day - lovely sunshine - not very very cold - Peter is rather better - he passed a much better night than, we expected, to anticipate - his knee is much swollen a red - I fear the attack will be a long one -- he cannot stand on his leg - for a second - he got up to sit in his chair, for a few moments to get his bed made - he could hardly stir - ~~was~~ his gouty limb being, so very painful - he took more Cockeuse's Colchicum this afternoon - Mr & wife returned early this morning from St George - to say his Mass - the moon was still bright a lovely, when, we went to Mass - it was cold - 15 degrees - a few minutes before dinner - James & Theodore arrived from Town - we were highly delighted to see them - James is looking the picture of health -

Sunday 27th Jan - most charming weather - a beautiful bright sun - a lovely sky - not too cold - a very great many people at church - Hein is better, after, having spent a bad night - he took more of Cocheuse's colchicum this afternoon - to-night, he feels much better - and inclined to sleep - Maman complains of a general malaria - poor old mother, I hope she will ^{be} better to-morrow - or few moments before dinner - Nefire Crivier and Nefire Desorey arrived to dine with us - and remain until to-morrow - we played cards this evening - after prayers - they all went up to the sunroom, to smoke and play cards again - James has also gone up, to form la partie quarré - appearance of more fine weather -

Monday 28th Jan - weather not pleasant - rather damp - the air felt so - Hein is much better he got up this afternoon - went about the room dined with us - his knee is still weak a little swollen, he limps - but, upon the whole, we feel thankful, to see him so much better - to-day eight days, he commenced complaining - Maman is not well - my dear children are quite - after breakfast Nefire Crivier & Nefire Desorey left, to return to their respective homes - the weather very wet to-night -

Tuesday 29th Jan - Snow, mild weather -
Heun got up for Luncheon - he continues to
improve, slowly - Mammie is not yet
over, her malaise - although, she feels better -
Mr le Cure left this afternoon for St Gregoire -
Theodore drove him as far as St Alexandre -
I believe Mr le Cure will proceed on to
Montreal - Francis is not well - he has
been complaining - since some days -
to-morrow morning he intends to take
something - to do him good - appearance
of more snow - roads very bad -
The jury came to-day - the water is
getting low - much grit at the mill -

Wednesday 30th Jan - This morning snow -
the trees ~~were~~ bent down ^{by} from the weight
of the snow - the bows almost reached the
ground - Hein is better - goes about the house
his knee is still weak - Francis is rather
better this evening - he kept, his bed the
greatest part of the day - Mammie is
not well - I feel anxious - the complaints of
a fullness in her chest - I hope she will be
better to-morrow - Bear Cow, was quite indisposed
in the night - I kept her indoors - to-day -
she must have eaten something, yesterday, which

disagreed with her - she is very much better to-night -
she will be quite herself again - to-morrow -
all, she now requires is, a good night's rest -
very mild, all day -

Thursday 31st Jan - Very very cold - a piercing
wind this morning - this afternoon, it was
pleasanter, the sun was bright a beautiful -
Henry continues to improve in health - he
will remain, a few days longer, indoors - fearing
to take cold, again - Francis is rather better -
he came downstairs, this afternoon - for a
short time - he still complains of a pain in
his stomach - I hope, it is not an inflammation -
I prescribe a do my best, but, still, if, he
does not get better, or even, feel so - to-morrow,
I will insist, on his seeing a Medical man -
Martha is better - she dusted very well, last
night - my sweet Lao - is quite herself
again - she went out snowshoing with her
brother - they had much fun - Theodore went
also - I walked up and down on the platform
this afternoon - I enjoyed my lonely walk -
admired, the setting sun peeping through
the trees, of the forest - - intensely cold
to-night -

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Friday 1st February. Cloudy, cold, Remy a
disagreeable - snow in the afternoon -
Hervé is very much better - in a
day or two, he will be able to go out
to breathe fresh air - Gracie, is also
much better - Madame is rather better -
the uneasiness about her chest - much
diminished - Mme le Cure returned home
to-day - he went to town yesterday - slept
at St Athanase last evening - the roads
in the grand' line very bad - that is
from St Athanase to Marsh's and from
there, here, very much better - the cabots
below Marsh's are very very deep -
Caro went to the Falls with her Pepe -
Thomas drove them with the Mares -
With a Theodore followed, in another sligh
with sauage - they all enjoyed their drive -
it blows to-night - appearance of more
snow - 5 degrees cold -

Saturday 2nd Feb - very cold - piercing wind -
this morning at nine o'clock - we had grand
messe in honour of the Feast of the La Purification
which was also the feast, of the Society of the Infant Jesus
a great many children attended - Mme le Cure
addressed them, most appropriately in both
languages - after which, he blest them

as well as all the children who were not present —
he received a few, who had not, yet, been admitted to
the Society of the Infant Jesus — he gave them one each a
small image — the ceremony was very imposing —

Henri continues to improve, daily — Francis is very
much better — my poor old mother, does not rally
much — I find her altered — I am anxious —
it is very cold to-night —

Sunday 3rd Feb — Intensely cold — most bitterly cold —
such a strong wind — a great snowdrift —
notwithstanding — a great many people at church —
we have published several bands of marriage —
Henri is so much better, he speaks of going
out to-morrow — Francis, is also very much
better — my dear old mother, is not well — I feel
anxious — this awful weather — is very much
against her — it is blowing an hurricane

To-night — 14 degrees cold — Caro has a
slight head-ache this evening — I wrote to
Frederick to-day — the meritorious, courageous
missionary of Yose River —

Mondy 4th Feb. a continuance of bitter cold
boisterous weather - much snowdrift - a very
strong wind from the west - notwithstanding
this intense cold weather - Henry went to
Bedford - to attend in capacity of Mayor -
it was, with regret - I saw him venture out,
so soon, after an attack of the gout -
particularly, in such weather a awful roads -
he returned only, for dinner - he found
the roads very full - he upset - and all had
all kinds of mishaps - this morning we
witnessed, a most beautiful sight - in
our own dear little church - no less, than
six marriages at the same time - they
all had the carpet a silver candlesticks -
no less than 12 lights - it looked very well -
the Brides were all neatly & comfortably
attired, for the season - they all seemed to
pray so piously - asking the blessing from
above, on the greatest event of their lives -
poor girls; may they all be happy - - -
this afternoon, Mr le Cine went to St George -
he returns only to-morrow - Maria is
much better to-night - Francis, intends
going out to-morrow - still very cold
to-night -

Wednesday 5th Feb - again, whd, very cold to-day -
a piercing, N. W. wind - Henri complains of a
grievous pain in the knuckle of his fourth finger -
left hand - it is much swollen - he has not
been well, all day - Mammie is getting on slowly-
Francis does not feel very well, this evening -
we le cure returned from St George, in time
for luncheon - Theodore, Will, Caro and
I went out snowshoeing - dear children, they
were so delighted, to have me go with them -
I enjoyed my walk, very much - the wind
seems to have abated this evening -

Wednesday 5th February Mesmeudi des Condres - -
Damp & disagreeable, cloudy all day -
a very great many people at church -
Henri took Cochengé's Colchicum this morning -
he suffers from his hand - although, he got
up, & went about the house - Mammie is a
little better - Francis is not as well as yesterday -
he is altered - this afternoon, we le cure left
for the Bay - to go and make ^{the} Mission -
to all those poor people - who are deprived of
coming here to church - I have a head-ache -

Thursday 7th Feb - a fearful snow storm -
not cold - such a gondree; much snow
has fallen - the roads - almost, impassable -
Herr. passed a wretched night - he suffered
exceedingly from his hand - he tooth
acheuse & odorous - again this morning -
this evening he feels better - he hopes, he
will rest to-night - he kept his bed, all day -
Mamma is much the same - Francis is
better - fully merr up to Charles Roffe, this
morning - he found the woods very full -
and the weather awful - On le Rire returned
this afternoon from the Bay - on leaving
he crossed the Bay to go on a sick call -
and on returning he lost his route - so
much so, he has obliged to stop at a hut,
(which he fortunately found, in the midst of
the forest), to ask his way back - they told
him, he was quite out of his track - they
kindly piloted him, out of the woods -
he came out near La Rochele - he
did not know, where he was - he had
taken quite a different ^{route} than, he intended
it is very awful to-night - a little rain
would prove of much service - it would lay
the snow - pack it, so, as to have, no
more gondrees -

Friday 8th Feb - a beautiful sunshine, bright & brilliant
but very cold - the woods are so deep with
snow, it almost becomes, impossible to meet, two
pleighs together - Stein is not better - he continues
to suffer very much with the gout in his hand
he again, passed a perfect helpless night - he has
been in pain, the greatest part of the day - I say
much fear, he will not rest, to-night - the whole
of his hand is so much swollen red - he took
Cochouse's Whitecum again, this morning - how
hard, to see him, suffer - without being able, to
alleviate the pain - Mamma is not well -
Francis is rather better - he has not yet
ventured out - there was a good many people
at Prayers - five o'clock P.M. - it an hour, which
suits many - I have a cold - what would
I give to see Stein rid, of this cruel malady! -
Water stands good for the will - always, lots of
grist - thus far, we cannot complain -
we have to thank Divine Providence for
the boon -

Saturday 9th Feb - This morning it was cold the
air chilled one - in the afternoon, the sun
came out - it became pleasant & bright -
Kern is better, he got up after his Luncheon
he took dinner with us - his hand, is still
much swollen and red - he is in hopes
of having some sleep to-night - since
three nights - he has not slept an hour -
it fairly wears him out - I also feel it -
Francis is much better - Mammie is
improving slowly - we have a very cold
moon - the depth of snow, this winter - is not,
to be told - I have a head-ache -

John, butchered a very fat cow to-day -
gave 600 lbs beef - a great deal of tallow -
beautiful beef -

Sunday 10th Feb - This morning very cold - 20 degrees -
a great many people at church - this
afternoon the weather became quite mild -
Kern is rather better, although still suffering
from his hand - he got up after his luncheon
he dined with us - Mr. Le Cure left immediately
after vespers to go to Stanbridge East
from yester evening he missed the train to Auburn
came to dine with us - he was disappointed
not to meet Mr. Le Cure - he returned home
at eight o'clock P.M - the roads very full -

appearance of soft weather to-night - Mamma is
much better -

Monday 12th Feb - Very cold - the first thaw this
winter - and, even then - not very great - water
on the ice - and dripping from the roofs - it
threatened rain - in the afternoon the sun came
out - but, still a hazy day - Stein is better -
although his hand is yet painful - Mamma
is not at all well - she feels oppressed a
Maloise - - dear old Mother! I feel anxious
about her - Francis went out, about the
yard to play - I fancy, he will venture
further to-morrow - James & Theodore left
this morning at 11 o'clock for St John's en
route for Montreal - they have had a most
busy day, for travelling - the roads are awful -
Mr Le Erie returned from his Stanbridge
Mission this afternoon - he says the roads
are very very bad - with but busy all
morning - going on different errands, for
his Father - he went to Lachelle's then to
Méïsior - we miss James very much - he
possesses such a constant flow of quiet &
mildness - a very strong wind from the
South - 2 degrees of heat - great indications
of rain -

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~~Wth George arrived - water exceedingly low -~~
Tuesday 12th Feb. This morning early it rained
for a few moments - the temperature rose -
about noon - there was a most sudden
change all at once - it became intensely
cold - the wind shifted from the south to
the west - it blew a perfect hurricane -
such boisterous weather - Henry spent a
very sleepless night - he is rather better
this evening - he again, took Cochrane's Cobhium
this morning - Mammam is not well -
whilst we were at dinner, Mr. Effordie
arrived from Greenwich - we were
most happy to see him - it is
very very cold to-night - the water
in the river exceedingly low - we were in hopes
the thaw of yesterday would prove of service -
unfortunately, it did not last -

Wednesday 13th Feb. - This morning a most piercing,
wind - and so intensely cold - I never experienced
such cold cutting weather - when I returned from
church, this morning - I was literally frozen -
Henry continues to improve slowly - Mammam
is rather better - this afternoon - the carriage went
to St. George - he returns only to-morrow -
to-night, it continues to be most intensely cold -
however, the wind, has much abated -

Thursday 14 Feb - This morning it was most bitter
cold - 24 degrees - towards the afternoon, it became
less cold - the W. South - my sweet dear Caro
was 14 years old to day - dearest dear child;
may the Mother of God protect her, in a most
special manner - may she avoid all the
snares & wicked designs, of this miserable world -
may she always be deeply fond of her own dear
Mother - who is so devoted to her - and anxious
for her happiness - and ready to encounter,
and to go through so much, to preserve
her, from all, the ill and pains attending
the generality of human kind. — Mamma's
leg has become very painful - there is better
news about the house - a most extraordinary
affair we had no mail yesterday nor to-day -
it seems the Cars & Locomotives have been
perfectly blocked up - both ways - by
the immense snow & drift of last Tuesday -
it was literally impassable - MacKenzie
has been expecting his millwright since
yesterday - weather & roads prevented him
from coming -

McPherson left

Friday 15th Feb - This morning it was rather pleasant - not near so cold as it has been since some days - this afternoon, it became colder and the air felt damp - McPherson's Millwright arrived last night at 7^o past 11 o'clock - after having visited the Mills, & taken all the information required - McPherson a bit lame - left at 1/2 past 11 o'clock A-M - so, as to be in time to take the afternoon train - to-day - we received, three Mails at the time - quite a lot of Newspapers - and a few letters - the roads have been made passable for the Locomotives - by shovelling the space of four miles - it is quite a long episode to relate - about the blocking up of the Locomotives by the immense accumulation of snow - Stein is better - but, still not as well, as I would wish to see him - poor dear old mother, suffers very much from her leg - It looks like snow to-night -

Saturday 16th Feb - Had a pleasant appearance of a
thaw - very much needed - Stein feels gouty -
I fear he will again, have an attack - God spare
him of such a misfortune - he feels aily, how
much it puts him back, in his affairs - to be
put up, in this way - since four weeks
he has been deprived of going about, as usual -
Mammie is better - there is always plenty
of grain, at the Mill - thus far - there has
been enough water, although not in great quantity,
still, sufficiently, to run, two or three stones at a
time -

Sunday 17th Feb - most tempestuous weather - snow
& grouse notwithstanding, there were, people
from far, as church - Dr. Kellogg came to see
Mammie - he found her leg much inflamed -
but, otherwise, he said, Mammie was, looking
well - he prescribed for Francis also - it is
blowing a perfect hurricane to-night - the
height of the rift is not to be told - there will
be no roads to-morrow - a very strong wind
from the S.W - Stein took cold cream this
morning - he got up as usual - he is better -
although his little finger is yet swollen
I am suffering exemtately from a lame
back - I have never before experienced any
thing of the kind - so painful

Most fearful storm - snow drift

Monday 78th Feb - Such a fearful snow storm! such drifting! no sounds this morning - nothing of the wind, but ever been witnessed in the Lowwaltip - it continued to be boisterous & blew a perfect hurricane all day - and it is yet ^{to night} drifting & blowing always from the West - the road here was literally blocked up - men sent there, with horses to break through the snow, a to shovel at the same time - it proved quite useless - as it filled again in an instant - the Stage Driver had to leave his stage at the end of the board fence near, spears - his horses came on very quietly - to our door - with the Mail bag slung to its side - the Driver coming on just behind - told us, he would drive no further - we lent him a saddle and he went on to Marsh's on horseback to give the mail bag to be forwarded, to St John's - the Mail going South passed, very nearly, at its usual hour - then, again, the other driver stopped here - to make the exchange, and go on to the Falls, with the stage, left behind - with much trouble & shovelling, our men succeeded, in getting out the stage from the deep snow - so that, at last - the Mail reached its destination - It seems the roads going ^{East and West} North - are not so bad as ours - all this groundee has thrown itself, ~~on~~ North and South - it is really awful -

there are mountains of snow - what shovelling there will be to-morrow! - Henri is not well - he took more cold this morning - he feels a general malaise. I wish he were well - God, grant him health! — is my daily prayer — Thamma is better — I still suffer from my lame back — with a car — had great fun — running on the immense banks of snow accumulated by the fence — the snow is very hard — it injures the horse's feet — it has been very cold all day —

Made the road in the field —

Tuesday 19th Feb The sun came out bright — but still, it blew & drifted — finally, after having tried, a fatigued the poor horses, uselessly Henri was obliged to order, the road to be beaten, in ^{the} field — having closed up both extremities of the road — so as to show, to travellers, that it was condemned for the present — they balis'ed the beaten track, in the field — and opened a road, for us — just opposite the gate — to go to the field — to-morrow, they will shovel — the whole length of the platform to church — it seems the quantity of snow, accumulated between our board fence from the bridge to the May lot — is not to be told — or believed unless — seen, by one's own eyes — Henri continues better, he is all anxiety to get out —

no mail from Montreal since last Saturday - the mail we received last evening was only from St John's — a lousy moonlight-night — appearance of fine weather — I feel weak — I am not well —

Wednesday 20th Feb — Cloudy, a little snow fell this morning — mild — the roads in the grand' ligne very full — it is so all over the Township — it looks so odd, to see every sleigh pass so far away, from us — the road in the field is not yet very well beaten — and ^{the} ploughed part of it makes it very rough — it is really, extraordinary to look at, the immense quantity of snow — Stein is not well to-night — Hammer has been complaining all day — it looks like rain — how very much, it is needed! —

Thursday 21st Feb very mild & pleasant in the morning — this afternoon, the wind from the West brought on a poulessee, which lasted for a few hours — then, the sun came out — and set, most gloriously — Missie St Aubin came to dinner with

W^m L. Ciani - he returned to his home, this evening - he was astonished to find us so ~~snowed~~, surrounded with such heaps of snow - it is so unusual, in this part of the country - however, there is no doubt, that our high wooden fences, will not answer, where, & when, such heavy falls of snow occur - since the 25th Dec - we have not had, one day's thaw - constant intense cold - often, boisterous - frequent drifts such a severe winter, as this, has not been experienced for years & years - now, even, some of the old inhabitants, say, they never, remember, anything like it - Stern, had intended, going out, to-day - for a few moments to breathe fresh air - but, he found it too windy - he still feels gouty - there is a long mouth to-day, he has the gout - mamma is better - dear Cora has a sore throat - I hope it will not last long - I rubbed her throat with hasthron - Willy, I fear, will also get it -

Friday 22nd Feb - most delightful weather -
a beautiful bright sun - pleasant winter
temperature - we may say - it is really the
first fine day, since the 25th Dec -
Henry drove out, to a short distance -
he found the air had renovated him -
I am in hopes he will reap some
benefit from it, and have a good night's
rest - Mamma is very ailing - she
complains of a weakness in her chest -
Dear Caro's sore throat is better -
Willy was out driving a great deal to-day
Tucker has purchased all the horses oats
and so - tomorrow is the day appointed to
take down to the Falls - no less than
three teams are to be loaded - Willy has
his team - which he will drive himself -
it will be great fun - lovely night
appearance of fine weather -

Saturday 23rd Feb. Had a pleasant - Mr. De Montenac and Henry arrived by the stage - poor Mr. Henry was perfectly done up - on arriving, she threw herself on the sofa - in a state of exhaustion from the extreme fatigue - she experienced passing through such fearful roads - the says, they are not to be described -

Mommie was very weak this morning - she rallied this afternoon - she was so happy to see her dear friend Mr. de la M. Henry walked out - and drove this afternoon - he is much better - God! grant he may continue so - Dear Caro is better -

Willy was out, a great deal to day - he is rather fatigued to night - they had much difficulty in taking down Mr. Cane's oats to Fuller's - the roads too narrow - for two horses breast - they crowded constantly - Willy's team, acted the best - he had his own mare with Connaught - they went on very fair - mild temperature this evening -

Sunday 24th Feb. Cloudy, but, withal, pleasant,
not very cold - a great many people at
church - immediately after Mass Mr. le Cure went
to Bedford on a ~~night~~ call - he returned to sing
vespers, or 2 o'clock - after which he left for
St Athanase, to go and help, before Pasqua
during the Easter Duty of his Parishioners -
he only returns on Thursday or Friday -
Henry went to Mass - for the first time
since a long time - he continues better -
Mammie is better this evening - my sweet
Caro suffered very much from a violent
head-ache - she is much better to-night -
Md de Montevache, still, feels the fatigue of
her voyage - she cannot get over it -
appearance of snow - the roads are
awful - such a great number of cabots -

Monday 25th Feb - Fair & pleasant this morning -
- after breakfast Md de Montevache, went
about to visit the mills a walked as far as
church - they commenced to-day to fill
the large ice house - Md de Montevache
Caro, and Nadeau ~~were~~ made flowers the
whole afternoon - Md de M - made very
pretty ornaments for the dessert dishes -
dear Caro bought this evening - will also -
I hope & trust - it will not be of any

Charington - Mammee is much the same - Henri
went to Bedford to - day - with a heavy load more
oats to Fuller -

Tuesday 26th Feb - The weather fair, but cold -
after breakfast Henry left by the stage en route
for Montreal - Caro sent by him a pretty little flying
garnet to Lucy - Fobisher arrived this afternoon
by the stage - he met Henry en route -
Mammee has been very unwell all day -
her leg, bad made her suffer very much -
she is rather better to - night - dear Caro is
well is better - I kept her indoors, all day -
Henri is pretty well - he goes about as usual -
Fazile brought, to - day from St. Hyacinthe,
a beautiful garniture, of the Lis, made by
Mr Lelievre, for my dear church -

Wednesday 27th Feb - Most lovely beautiful bright weather -
the sun so warm & delightful - after breakfast
Mr DeMontmorency & I walked as far as church - we
enjoyed our walk - the temperature was so agree-
able - this morning early it was cold - Henri took
elchium to - day - his hand is swollen although, it
does not pain him - Mammee is better - Caro
went out to - day as usual - her cold - very
much better - with a wife went to Stanbridge village

this afternoon - they returned a few moments before dinner time — this morning
16 degrees cold —

Mr. De Montenack left

Thursday Feb 28th a glorious sunshine all day but, very cold, this morning - no less than 19 degrees - notwithstanding, the temperature about 12 o'clock - was delightful — Mr De Montenack & Grubisher left by the stage this morning - they had lousy weather to travel - and the roads, not very bad - he will return from Athanase this afternoon — Henri's hand is much better — Prommam is rather better still, not, as well as I would wish, to see her —

I am very tired, this evening - I have been very busy all day — dear wife went to White's Foundry this morning, on his return he drove down to Whitney's and again, back to the Falls - for a second time - finally, he drove more than thirty miles to-day — he is quite a little business man — he already makes himself, very useful — the large ice house, is finished filling - this evening —

P. - Venerable Yariv et Pallier. - Whistler

Friday 29th Feb - Cloudy a drizzle all day - Henri not as well as yesterday, he experienced a general malaise - my dear old Mother was ill the greatest part of the day - I really feel very anxious about her - this afternoon, Reverend Pere Gagion and R. - Pere Pallier arrived - Basile brought them on from St. John's - we were delighted to see our amiable old friend Pere Yariv, and also to become acquainted with R. - P. Pallier - he seems to be a very nice pleasant person - to-morrow commences our Novena - God grant we may all make it, with just a fervour - so as to reap from it - the grace of amendment and become good Christians - whilst we were at dinner - Whistler arrived from Montreal - he saw Mr. DeMontigny this morning - she had greatly recovered from her fatigue - she found the roads rather better than, when she came - Luke has brought quite a quantity of music Prince sends me every thing there which comes out - Caro has a very nice selection they shovelled the main road to-day - Henri put all hands to it - as it is, they will not complete it to-day - it looks like a tunnel - huge banks of snow on each side of you - it is so unusual to see such mountains of snow - in these parts -

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Saturday 1st March - This morning it was
cloudy, in the afternoon the sun came out
beautiful & bright - ^{on} this day he commenced the
Novena of St Francis Xavier - it has not been
established, in this Paroisse - since his years -

Père Garié preached this morning - he made
a very handsome discourse "sur l'importance
du Salut" - he preached very well - this
afternoon Père Palié preached "sur La Vierge" -
his composition, is beautiful - but, his delivery
I do not like, he seems to hesitate to stutter
as it were - which is fatiguing - for his hearers -
Mammie received this morning - she made
her Easter Duty - dear Mother! she is better
to-night - Henri does not yet feel well
enough to venture out - Whether played
the organ as usual, with much taste -
he will play twice, a day during all
Novena - it is quite a task

a short time before dinner Mespire Moreau
Secretary to our dear beloved Bishop arrived
from St Hyacinthe - we were truly happy to
see him - what a very nice person, there is
something so kind, so mild about him -
he is a great favorite here - this morning
he made us a beautiful Cadeau - the Relic of
St Prosper - it is very handsomely mounted -
I appreciate this Relic very much - I have
the Authentique - from our Bishop - accompanying
the Cadeau -

Sunday 2nd March — an awful snow storm, all day — the drifting was dreadful — notwithstanding, there were a great many people at church — what merit they have — to come from such a long distance, as many of them do — it is a great proof of their zeal — R. Vére again preached so most magnificently — on Heath — I never heard any thing so sublime — so entraining — such an appeal to one's best feelings — in the afternoon R. Vére & Palié, preached, also — in a most eloquent style — the whole Parish, is enchanted with the beautiful sermons they hear — twice a day — what a time of grace! God! grant I may profit of it — mamma is rather better — Stein came to church this afternoon — the ground still continues to-night Mgr. Dufresne arrived a few moments before dinner — we were delighted to see him — St. Joseph's feast being celebrated to-day kindly presented us a box with Le Vœu Lacombarais Conference in 4 vols

Monday 3rd March — Is it not dreadful, it still continued to drift most awfully — the main road — which Stein caused to be shovelled, last Saturday, is quite filled up, again — to that degree, that it is perfectly impassable — we have to go by the ^{a p.} field — the immense quantity of snow, is not to be told — mamma has not been well to-day — to-night she feels

in few weeks - we continue to have superbe
discourses every day - Henri went to preside
the over the Municipal Court as Mayor -
at Bedford - he found the ^{roads} ~~roads~~ better than
our own - I have an awful ^{bottle neck}, which makes
me very stupid - it is very cold to-night
11 degrees - Henri's hand is yet swollen -

Wednesday 4th March - This morning the weather
was pleasant - and this afternoon it blew a
perfect hurricane - such a snow storm -
such drifting - man, worse than
yesterday - it was fearful - after
Luncheon - Mespire Dupuis returned
to his home - this morning Père Pallier
delivered a most eloquent sermon -
"Sur le Jugement dernier" - this afternoon
Père Véron preached most beautifully
"Sur la Miséricorde de Dieu" - they are
both most appreciated - Mespire ^{are} arrived
from Durham a short time before
dinner - he says the roads ^{are} awful -
our road is perfectly blocked up -
even our path side is filled - the
snow ploughs ^{is} now, of little use -
manners is better this evening -
the hurricane continues to rage - -

Wednesday 5th March — This morning it continued to drift and such a snow drift! the roads completely blocked up — even my path, to church quite filled up impassable, totally so — the Priests were obliged to go to church in the sleigh — and even then, the road in the open field was not beaten — the horse had snow over its back — this afternoon, the hurricane abated — I got the foot-path shovelled — impossibility of passing the snow-plough — no, it is not to be told the immense quantity of snow accumulated between our white fence — I fancy this winter snow storms will prove to Henri, that, they will not answer, as they do not protect us from the foudre — Henri was deprived of going out, on account of a sore throat — he is much better to-morrow — M. Pere Garin pronounced a most beautiful sermon on the "Service de Dieu" — he was most interesting — this afternoon, M. Pere Pallier preached — "Sur la terre de Dieu" he was, as usual, very eloquent — Mammee is rather better —

Thursday 6th March - This morning again a
snow storm - fortunately it did not last -
in the afternoon the sun came out, bright &
pleasant - it was cold, the temperature
agreeable - the roads, almost impassable -
notwithstanding - a great many people attended
church - this morning R. Vere Pallier, preached
'Sur la Présence Réel' - this afternoon
R Vere Yorin - preached 'Sur la Propagation de
la foi' - he was most interesting - he spoke
an hour & ten minutes - his audience, seemed
to think, he never spoken - half an hour -
for my part, I could have listened very much
longer - Henri was well enough to go to Mass
this morning - Mamma feels weak & languid,
dear old Mother, she is not well - This
morning Mespine Moreau left, to return
to St Hyacinthe - he is ^a most amiable person -
something so kind, about him - he is a
great favorite with us - this afternoon
Mespine Dedoréy returned to his home -
Mespine Fitzgerald returned to Dunkirk, this
morning -

Friday 7th March — Weather bright & beautiful — rather cold — 13 degrees this morning — a great many people at church — and a very great number received — Hein experienced a pain just on the lung — no doubt, it was gouty — I felt anxious — it passed way, and was again felt, in the elbow — he went to church, this afternoon —

Mr. Peter Yarin, preached on Temperance — this morning — he was most eloquent —

Mr. Peter Paller preached this afternoon, "Sur l' Eucharistie" — his composition, is very elegant — this morning commenced "les quatuor évangiles" — what a time of grace! if, we are only, duly prepared for it — Mammee suffers, from her leg to-night — we are surrounded, by immense banks of snow — from here to church, I have a regular snow cut, to go struggle, to reach there — it must be seen, to believe it, to understand, how we manage, to get on —

Saturday 8th March — This morning it was snowing fast, when I went to church, early, with my dear children — we all received — we returned to take our breakfast — and again to church for yr past nine o'clock — Hein keeps his bed, he has an attack of the gout in his elbow — last night he took a blue pill, this morning Colchicum — again, a blue pill to-night — the

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rather better to-night, although not free, from
rain - we have had a most fearful snow-
drift - this afternoon - it was something,
dreadful, such an hurricane - we could not
see across the field - the snow, is
every where, around us mountain high -
I shant, again, have the snow-cut
renewed - otherwise, I cannot reach church
to-morrow - it is still drifting to-night -
is it not extraordinary? since last
25th December - we have not had one day's
thaw - constant, intense cold - and snow
storms - and fearful fondries - the
old inhabitants, of the Township, say,
they have never witnessed, any thing like
this - Mr. Rose Garrison gave us a most beautiful
Instruction - on the "Duty of Parents, to their
towards their children" I never heard any
thing, so much to the point - this afternoon
Mr. Rose Garrison preached "Sur la Sacrement
de Resistance, sur le Bonheur, de Communier l'Amour"
as usual, he was most interesting - Maria
is not well, I feel anxious - very cold -
to-night - 15 degrees - the snow so deep,
in the snow cuts - the Cars, have stopped
running - stages, replace them - only,
for a short time, I hope -

Sunday of March - The sun was out, beautiful &
bright - but, intensely cold 20 degrees this morning -
it continued to be most bitterly cold all day -
There was an immense crowd of people at
church - now very Leaving the whole Parish
had shown ~~at~~ itself, throughout, the Novena -
the weather has been stormy, boisterous, fearful
prospects - no roads, hardly to get through,
notwithstanding all, these obstacles - they
persevered, in surmounting them - and coming
every day, in numbers - eight hundred or ninety
~~sixty~~^{forty} received - during these nine days -
how very edifying! certainly both Preachers - preached
admirably well - they pleased every one -
Mr. Veré Garin, this morning said again a
few words on L'aparance previous to the
Distribution of the Crosses - to some, who had
not, yet, taken the Cross - Mr. Veré Baller - gave
us a beautiful discourse - "Sur la route de Sion";
this afternoon - Mr. Veré Garin - preached, again -
a most eloquent discourse - "Sur le bonheur du ciel",
it was beautiful - he then addressed Notre Dame
des Anges put us all under her special Care -
a bid us act in - we had a magnificent Salut -
the Qui sang admirably - Gobister recalled to-day -
my own Dear Treasures - sang most sweetly during
the Nine Days - dear Billy, particularly, sang very
well - Messire Xavier, arrived a few moments
before dinner - we were delighted to see him -
Hain is a mite better, he got up, to take his

his dinner with us — his elbow is still swollen
Mammar, is rather better to-night — it is
very cold to-night — 16 degrees — a beautiful
clear starry sky —

Monday 10th March — a splendid sunshine!
but, very very cold — 24 degrees — after Luncheon
our amiable Reverends Péres, left for St John's
they remain there, until to-morrow — I wished
left rather earlier, so as to be in time, for
the afternoon train — however, I do not think
there were any trains going or coming to-day
it seems, they have been prevented, from
the immense accumulation of snow, in
the snow cuts, between St John's & Lambert —
the roads, are awful — the banks of snow
every where, are fearful — Stein is better — he
got up for breakfast to-day — Gaspard
Grevier left, at the same time, as the Péres —
Mammar suffers from her leg, to-night —
a beautiful bright moon — indicating much
cold — No mail to-day —

Yesterday 11th March. This morning it commenced to snow - it was bitter cold - a strong wind - so piercing so very cold - it seemed to clear up about noon, for a few moments, when, it commenced to pondree, in a most awful way - all the afternoon, there were des giboulés du mois de Mars - accompanied, by such drifting; it is really extraordinary, the constant, bad weather, we have had, we may, without interruption since the Month Dec - that is, since the 25th Dec - Henri continues better - much better - Mammie is, also, better - I have a cold - I did not attend Prayers, this afternoon, no mail to-day - that, of yesterday, arrived last night at eleven o'clock - the Rail-road is very often stopped, this winter - the snow cuts, fills, constantly -

Wednesday 12th March. This morning it was intensely cold 15 degrees with a strong wind from the west - after breakfast Henri left to go to Bedford - to attend the Mayor's Court - I felt loath of seeing him go - the weather so cold, the roads so full, but still, he said, he must go - this afternoon it became quite boisterous - an awful snow drift - a piercing cold wind - we be fare test with Vaisselle, I thought, to go to St Alexandre but, Will says, to St Grégoire - Henri returned

a short time before dinner he found the roads, very full, the depth of snow, not to be told - only snow-cut from here to church is again filled - they cannot shovel it in the morning - ah! bless me, what a severe winter, what snow! —
Mammar suffered from her leg-to-day -

+ Thursday 13th March. This morning it was bright & cold - in the afternoon, cloudy, hump, & disagreeable - Mammar has been suffering very much, all day - her leg was most painful - she, also felt oppressed - she is rather better to-night - Henri did not go out to-day - Yesterday he experienced, a most violent head-ache, he attributed it to 2g's of quinine - he had taken in the morning, fasting - he ~~told~~ took a blue pill last night - he was not well, all day - we ~~were~~ were returned from St. Gregoire, a few minutes before dinner time - much snow every where - since last Saturday - the Rail-road between St. John's & St. Lambert - is blocked up - stages, are in requisition - for the present - incase quinine, our mail, does not, reach Pime River - before midnight - + I have a violent head-ache to-night —

Hail road - all right again
Friday 14th March - a most charming day - so
wild or pleasant, although the sun, was not
out, still, we felt thankful, for a milder
temperature - Mammie still keeps her room
but, she is rather better, to-night - I hope
she will have a good night's rest -

Stein drove as far as the Hiets - after
luncheon - he said this evening, he thought
the drive, had proved beneficial - appearance
of wild weather - tant mieux donc!
the Hail road has recommenced - its usual
rutting, the mail, came in, to-day - at the
usual hour -

Saturday 15th March - This morning it snowed for
a few moments - then it became damp, slushy,
disagreeable - a strong wind from the S.E -
Mammie still keeps her bed - her leg makes her
suffer very much - I really feel anxious -

Stein did not go out to-day - he found the
weather, so changeable - the road in the field,
has become impassable, from the immense
number of cabots - Stein speaks, of getting
another track, beaten, aside, of the road -
Willy got his hair cut to-day - he required
it, scarcely - if, he takes proper care of his
hair, he will have a great profusion of it -

Sunday 16th March - Windy, cloudy - pleasant temperature - a most dense crowd of people at church to-day - Palm Sunday - the soap-dial in the middle aisle was very pretty - when the whole mass, stood up, their Palms to be blessed - it looked like a Forest of Firs - Dr Wright came up to see Mammie - he found her much weaker & prostrated - from the want of sleep - however, he says, as soon as Mammie can rest at night - she will rally - her leg, makes her suffer very much - the Dr has left me, a number of prescriptions I hope & trust, I will be able to alleviate her pains - after the Dr's many advises - Harry went to church to-day - this morning, he experiences a slight pain, in his hand - God, Spare him, from another attack of the gout - Francis is also taking some of the Dr's sweets - he is not yet, quite right - Harry saw four crows on the ice - Billy saw one, some days ago - this afternoon - they have beaten another track, beside the old one, in the field -

Dr Wright

Mondy 17th March, a most delightful morning.
The sun was out, it was mild & pleasant —
in the afternoon — it became, overcast, chilly
disagreeable, the wind N.E. — my dear old
Mother is not better — I feel very anxious she
complains of her chest, to-night — her leg, is
not very painful — God grant she may rest
well — it would do her, so much good — Henry
does not feel well, this evening — he fears, an
attack of gout, in his foot — ah! bless me!
may he be spared! he intended going to
town to-morrow — on urgent business —
it will be a sad disappointment, if, he is
deprived of going — a lovely bright moon
but cold — I have an awful head-ache —
little disposed, to scribble — they commenced
filling the small ice-house, to-day —
they will complete it to-morrow —

{ My poor journal! I have left it off since
a long time - I must take it up again -
and commence it from the 18th ahi; what
a day of deep affliction! what a
cruel bereavement!

Tuesday 18th March - I have neither heart, nor
courage to write, the occurrences of this day -
my dearest dear Mother; breathing her last,
this afternoon at 3/4 past two o'clock - she
had no agony, not even, a distortion - she
passed away, as quietly, as in the midst, of
a perfect peaceful slumber - all, announcing
her perfect happiness - she returned, to her
Divine Mother, with the true piety and
faithfulness of the just - dearest dear
Mother! as she lay there, I kissed her often &
often - she looked, as if she slept - not, for ever,
but, for a few moments - but alas! no - she
is gone! - - ah! what a blanke! I bow down,
to the will of Divine Providence - I feel thankful
she has been spared, to me, until now - but,
still, cannot I, weep & deeply feel her loss?
I am lost without her - what will it be
in a few days - when, there will be
nothing left - - Henry has sent an express
for parties a tho. Boys - we be sure arrived,
in time, to accompany her - dearest dear Mother! -
is it possible - she is no more; - -

Wednesday 19th March - all is still & gloomy for me - I go and visit my dearest dear Mother, at my instance I kneel by her side - she seems to me, slumbering very quietly - I cannot yet, realize ~~this~~ any loss - - Mr. Peter Yarins & Frobisher arrived from London - poor Lou - he loved my mother, he mourns her loss - James, Henry, Theodore and Charles Macdonald, all arrived this afternoon - poor James, poor Henry, poor Theodore - how much they feel, & regret, my dear dear Mother - dearest Mother, that is not in the least altered - she is never one instant, alone - there is always, some one, praying, next to her side - every one, loved her, respected her - "Pray for me dearest mamma; all how horatid I feel!"

Thursday 20th This morning at the just eight o'clock what was remaining of my dearly beloved Mother - was taken away! - She was followed by a numerous concourse to the Church, where she was interred after having had a Liberation - its being Holy week - a service could not be long - for the present - it is put off to the 3rd April - dearest mamma will speak to her, every day - she ~~has~~ lies, just opposite my pew - what a glorious tomb in the house of God! again, how grateful, how thankful! I aim to have her there.

had she died elsewhere? what a cruel separation;
I must have been, still more miserable —
may I hope, one day to see her in the
Kingdom heaven? God grant my prayer —
Henry & Charles Macdon returned to town this
afternoon — winds awful — cloudy weather —

Friday 21st March - an immense concourse of people
at church - Pere Gari preached the Passion
very eloquently — I, of course did not attend,
but my poor Henr was there - how fortunatly,
he did not get a return of the gout - after the
shock, I gave him, last Tuesday - he was
in bed, with the gout in his foot - I screamed
out, my mother was dying - he rushed
upstairs - forgetting all his pains - he
remained up - and has felt no pain - since -
dear Caro is not well - she writes - will also -
how lost I feel — I do feel so tormented —

Saturday 22nd March - The weather pleasant - Francis
is not well - he has not been well, since some
time - the winds - very wet - how very lonesome
I feel - I have an awful head-ache - Henr is
well - he went to Rice's Foundry this afternoon -
the winds very slappy, as the Yankee says —

Sunday 23rd March Jour de Pâques — The weather rather damp & cloudy this morning - I went to Mass with Francis - Henri went to grand-messe - there was an immense crowd of people at church - la cantique sang au orgue with Theodore - with a few were deprived of singing, they have a bad cold - Vespers were most magnificent - they were long, at 1/2 past three o'clock - ~~the~~ M. Vincent Garin proceeded after vespers - the Salut - was most beautiful - the altar, they tell me, was most brilliantly lighted - the procession, something superb - Miss H. Aubin - came to dine with us - he returned home in the evening - Francis tells me they had a most magnificent Jour de Pâques the weather pleasant - so many people - and a great many received - the sun came out bright & beautiful this afternoon - now lost I feel - I walk up and down in the parage - feeling so miserable;

Wednesday - nightingale
Monday 24th March - weather pleasant, although rather cold - after breakfast la cantique and M. Vincent Garin left for St George - they went to take luncheon with Mrs H. Aubin - they returned for dinner - the roads very bad - Henri continues pretty well - goes about as usual - COLD to-night - Wadeau left for St John's en route for Montreal - she goes to buy my provisions some day, they heard the nightingale this morning - generally not heard

P. - Pere James returned

Tuesday 25th March - bright & fair to-day - cold
in the morning - P. Pere James left this
morning for the points en route for Montreal
Bazile drove him - the roads awful - -
water for the Grist Mill is low - plenty of
Grist at the Mill - Caro coughs - Billy is
not well - Francis continues to complain
of a general malaise - the more I go,
the more I miss my dear mother - -
What a blank - I have packed up a
large Case for Mrs Macoun containing
a number of articles belonging to dear
Mamma - I know, she will appreciate
them - as, coming from her dearly beloved
Sister - -

Wednesday 26th March - This morning James, Wolfe,
and Theodore had packed up and were all in
readiness, to leave by the Stage - the flag was
up, as the usual signal for it to come in -
indeed, of which, we ~~the~~ saw the Stage Driver
run in, to say - he could not accommodate
any passengers - the roads were such - he
would not take his stage out - Henri Messy proposed
to see about getting other vehicles - he tried
Bazile, Professor, and a Carter for the baggage -
they all intended to leave to-morrow morning
it is cold to-night -

Thursday 27th March - Very cold this morning - Henri, James, Frolicher, and Theodore all left at 7th past five o'clock a. m. - wrapped up a muffled up as in January - and still, finding it cold - they reached St. Jolant, in time, for the first train - the winds very bad - the weather has been most disagreeable all day - Windy & Chilly, cloudy - dear Billy is not well, he feels very weak - he grows, very much - Cane still coughs - Francois has a very bad cough - I am miserably lonesome to day - & feel perfectly wretched -

Friday 28th March - Such awful weather, a perfect hurricane, a great deal of drifting, a most bitter winter's day - I fear Henri, will feel the bad effects, of travelling, in such boisterous weather - He'll be en route to St. Alexandre to take luncheon - when he returned, he said, he had never felt it more cold travelling, all winter - Billy & Cane remained indoors all day - it was so tempestuous - Francois kept his bed, the greatest part of the day - he coughs a great deal - Henri returned from town, at six o'clock P. M. not a bit fatigued - Nordenau came back this morning & brought me several morning articles - I have a head-ache.

Brother arrived

Saturday 29th March - snow, cold, drifting -
a perfect hurricane - awful weather -
Frobisher arrived a short time before luncheon
he took a Carter on arriving at a hotel -
he was very wise to do so - Henry is
well - I feel thankful for it - Francis, still
coughs very much - it is really very
cold for the season - such a piercing
wind - Billy & Lulu are both better, from
their cold

Sunday 30th March - Cloudy, cold, damp & disagreeable,
a great many people at church - Francis's
cough is rather better - I have felt very lonely
very miserable all day - Dearest dear Mamma
how very much I miss her - - it is cold to-night
how very cold, we have not had a
drop of rain since last November -
the immense quantity of snow in our road
is not to be told - opposite the door it is
mountain high - we keep the stones going
us in January -

Monday 31st March - This morning it was cold - 9 degrees
about 10 o'clock A.M. the sun came out bright &
pleasant - although the wind was N. W. all day -
after the children's schooling, Mr. Le Cure went
to St George he returned in the afternoon - Henri
Ferdinand & Billy drove to visit the sugaries - they
enjoyed their drive very much - they found
it so delightful in the midst of the forest,
inhaling, such a heathy perfume from the
Fir trees - it was soft & balmy to the feelings -
after luncheon a schooling - Lub, with a caro
walked far in the woods - opposite the river
they went by the new road - there again, they
were delighted with their walk in the woods -
Henri drove down to Whitney's - the woods
bare in some places - from here to the
falls, still, a great deal of snow - I have
very triste all day - I do feel, so lost -
I cannot, apply, myself to any thing -
I am quite unstrung - dear dear mamma,
how lonesome I feel! - —
Cold to-night 8 degrees -

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Tuesday 1st April - Beautiful bright weather
lovely Sunshine - this morning it was
cold, 9 degrees - rather too cold for the season -
is it not very bad? poor Henri is again
laid up with the gout - he got up for
breakfast, as usual, although, he seemed
to limp, and complain of a pain in
his knee, he bore it as long as he
could - at last, he had to retire to his
room, and take his bed - he has suffered
very much, the whole evening - I am in
worries, the paroxysms, have ceased for the
night - and that he will be able to have
some rest - Francis is very much better
he went out to-day - Willy a Caro had a
Congé in honour of St Joseph - they enjoyed
it very ~~much~~ much - they went out
drinking, they ought to see them in a
cabane au Sucre - it was too cold, for
the traps to run much - I have an
awful head-ache to-night - I am
quite upset - ah! bless me what a
blunder! - - - Willy this morning early,
shot two pretty little birds - called - des hérollets
there were no offs them fifteen in a tree -
it is very early in the season - for them
to make their appearance - - -

Wednesday 2nd April - Mild & pleasant - it thawed
very much to-day - the snow is melting fast
although we shall have a great deal of it,
for a long time, just before our premises -
Henry is rather better, he took cobhium
this morning - he got up for dinner - he
crippled - his knee is yet very stiff & painful -
he retired early after having smoked his
cigar - he fancied, it does him good - how
strange, that he should have taken to
smoking at his time of life - he read, in
an author on gout - that it was a good
specific against that cruel malady -
he has commenced smoking since the latter
end of last month - before Mr. Aubin arrived
a few moments before dinner time -

Mrs. Fitzgerald came in after dinner -
these kind gentlemen have come, to assist
to the service which is to be sung to-morrow
morning - for my dear dear mamma -
I hope the weather will prove fine - so, that
many, may come to join their prayers
to others - Dearest mother, how much I miss
you! - - a strong south wind to-night -
I fear rain - for to-morrow -

Le service de mes bien-aimés Morts

jeudi 3 avril - un beau temps, bien doux - hier
 au soir il a pleut un peu - ce matin à
 neuf heures a été chanté un service pour
 ma chère Maman - beaucoup de monde
 y a assisté je ne sauvais leur expression
 ma reconnaissance - pour leur triste
 de respect et de sympathie - je les ai
 remercié bien sincèrement - ils sont
 venus venir, leurs Prières aux nôtres! —
 ces bons braves habitants qui ils savent,
 si bien prier - le service a été
 magnifique - l'église étoit tout au noir -
 la nature au grand complet - beaucoup
 de lumières - je ne suis certain du cierge -
 Ursule et Aubin chantent la messe —
 Mr le curé à l'orgue qui chantait tout le
 service les louanges de l'orgue respirait,
 exprimait - ce que mon pauvre cœur
 brisé - ressentait - ah! grand Dieu! je ne
 puis dire, je ne puis dormir, une faible
 idée, de ce j'avois tout le temps de la
 cérémonie! je ne pouvais que fondre en
 larmes - Ursule Fitzgerald chantait la liturgie -
 Chère chère Maman, ons vous a rendu
 tout ce qu'il étoit en notre pouvoir —
 A l'offrir au Dieu tout puissant pour le
 repos de votre âme - Chère Maman! vous
 êtes au ciel - j'en ai la ferme conviction;
 priez priez pour votre pauvre enfant
 qui vous avoit tant - qui est perdue

Luns vont, ah! quelle envie j'ipouee — — —
Inspires le plaisir et l'inspiration tout retourne
Chacun au repos - midi — fair un offense mal
a tete — given few photos — — —

Linnott

Friday 4th April. It rained last night — this morning
it cloudy & damp — it remained so all day —
Herr suffers from the gout in both knees —
although he is up — and goes about the house —
however, he suffers less than yesterday —
Mrs Planté — Mantua Maker from St. Louis, is
here since yesterday — she came to fit me —
she makes, all my morning — I believe
she returned home this afternoon — my
dear children are well — I feel very thankful
for it — it looks like rain, that now — is
disappearing just — every one, say — there
is no more travelling in winter vehicles —
exception, here, all along our white fens —
there is yet, an immense quantity of snow —
we heard, and saw, a beautiful Linnott —
this morning

Saturday 5th April. Rain the greater part
of the day - this afternoon, cloudy, damp & disagreeable - the fields quite bare - the snow disappearing fast - Thomas went to the Falls yesterday - in a cart - much difficulty - to get through, in such fearful roads & after their shooting - Willy & Corro went to the Beaver Meadow to get some Shamrocks - for the celebration of St. Patrick's which takes place next Monday - there is better - a slight rain - in his hand - I have not been out since Thursday - Water very high - the roads - awful - the ice on the River St. Johns - went off to-day -

Sunday 6th April This morning cloudy & disagreeable, the roads awful - in fact, there are, no roads either, for the Sleigh, or Cart or waggon - the only way to travel, is to go on foot - there were a great many men at Mass - few women - all good pedestrians - there very much better - he went to vespers - this afternoon - the sun came out beautiful & bright - its genial warmth was renovating - Missie O'Dowdy arrived a few minutes before dinner - Biddle went for him, in a sleigh - they took three hours - from St. Alexander here - a lovely

Starry sky - a pretty young moon - appearance
of fine weather for to-morrow.

Henry in a waggon - to Bedford

Monday <sup>7th April - very nice pleasant weather
it thundered a great deal - there is yet too
much snow, in some places for the stage
to pass on wheels - that is from here to March's
after breakfast Henry went to Bedford, in
his waggon - the state of the roads, awful
as much snow as bare ground - he went
and returned by the new road - partly in
the field, and partly in the main road -
he went to Posseide at Meyors, to the Municipal
Council - otherwise - I do not believe he would
have ventured - the Feast of St Patrick, was
celebrated to-day - it was not, as usually
attended, as it usually is, in consequence
of the bad roads - notwithstanding - there
were a certain number - before Desorey
song Mass - Mr Le Leri went up to the organ
he sang, as usual, very nicely - I am told,
I did not attend - after luncheon before
Desorey returned to his home - Posseide came
for him in a waggon - this afternoon, he Le Leri
went on a dish call - the ice, below the
dam, has commenced to move off - it is gone,
before the house - has shoved down to the
bay - barn - we had a glorious sun set</sup>

a beautiful bright moon - I feel very sad -
very lonely — —

March 8 April - most lovely weather - so
warm a pleasant - the sun beautiful
and bright - the snow, melting away very
fast - I have been very busy to-day
making my spring arrangements, in
the Garnet - and putting away the furs -
Henry was out a great deal to-day -
he feels very much better - he conuenient
to take Zoddee again - it is a fine
time for him - I do miss my dear
old mother so much! I am lost, without
her - Dear dear Mammee! — — —

Wednesday 9th April a continuation of remarkable
beautiful, pleasant weather - such a
warm sun - Caro found it so warm
when taking her usual exercise, that
she felt inclined, to strip, off, even, her velvet
manteler^h - this afternoon we're left for
St. Alexandre - Bazile drove him - there is
fatigued - he has been out all day - driving
in every direction - he was very busy, in
getting all the rooms cleaned - at the

See over the dome gone

ice - seems, as it would very soon break up -
a strong south wind to-night - they
all, went out for a walk, after dinner -
I had neither heart nor courage - to do
the same - I preferred remaining, alone -
at mid - day there was 17 degrees heat -

Thursday 10th April - quite a change of temperature
since yesterday - cold, very windy - a piercing
wind - wrapped up, like in winter - this
morning at half past five - the ice over
the River came down - it continued
to do so all the afternoon - this evening
the remaining large pieces passed by -
without causing any injury - Tom was
up early this morning - as soon as he
heard, the ice, was coming down - he
hastened up, to see, if, all the logs were in
safe keeping, by the booms - he got arranged
there, yesterday - they are all safe -
the water is very high - Mr. Le Cure returned
from St. Alexandre this afternoon - the
winds awful - we have heated, the stoves
to - day like in February - such a cold
N.W. Wind - I have finished arranging
my cupboard in the garret - the Spring
review is over - I am fatigued - very low
spirited -

Saturday 18th April as five o'clock this morning
a heavy shower of rain & hail - after which
the sun came out - the weather plea-
-sant for the moment - and again, it
was cloudy & damp - this afternoon, weather
delightful wind from the N. E. - I am sent
to the Falls - the roads awful, very where -
Nelly drove me to Lurie to visit the School at
Spears corner - he was perfectly satisfied
with it - Caro takes a walk every evening
with her Uncle - there is a month
to-day - my dearest dear Harmoner
is, no more — I have felt very wretched
all day —

Saturday 19th April Fair a bright, breezy
sunshine - the air from the North -
but, still, a pleasant temperature - John
has been planting fir trees to-day — this
afternoon he planted Potatoes in the
garden — Caro continues to take her evening
walk, with her Uncle — dear children, they
are both well - we're all sold, Jimmy to
Demers - she is a pretty beast - how much
you, will regret - she is gone — I have
an awful rheumatic pain in my right
arm —

by the Ridge to avoid, the worst, part of the
Blank road —

Sunday 13th April - very very cold - a strong cold
piercing wind from the North - I never felt
more uncomfortable, ^{at} when going to church -
the sky was beautiful & clear, the sun shone
very bright - but, still, it was most disagreeably
cold - I really suffered from it - the roads,
awful - notwithstanding, there were many
people at Mass - Hein has felt this change
of weather a temperature - he complained of not
being very well - he went out, to-day, as usual -
a most lovely moonlight - beautiful starry
sky - but cold - the streets, are kept warm
as in winter —

Solar Lunar Phase P. M.

Monday 14th April - very windy, cold, damp &
disagreeable - this morning, to go to church, I wore
my January wrapping - such a piercing cold
wind - this morning Mr. Huxley went to
St George - he returned for dinner - after luncheon
Hein a Frobisher drove to Price's Foundry - the
roads awful - it commenced to rain about
six o'clock P. M. - it is still raining to-night -
a looks as if it would be a very wet night —

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Tuesday 15th April. - Mild & pleasant - this morning the air was soft and balmy - dear Caro's head-ache is much better, she suffered last evening - the winds are very bad - I am busy getting all my feather beds a matrappes remade - Caro enjoyed a nice ride, in the park, on the Doubs they heard the frogs croaking to-day - John planted, a few maples, on the wood side - which did not strike, last year - he will continue to plant some fir trees this week - Water not very high - Henri went down to the Falls to receive what finished thus far, of the bridge now erecting - they can, even now, travel safely over it - it will not be completed before a month or so - rather coolish to-night -

Wobisher-Montreal -

Wednesday 16th April. - This morning the sun was bright, announcing a fine day - however it was not so about mid-day, clouds gathered, a high north wind, made it disagreeable & chilly - in the afternoon, a few drops of rain - it was altogether an unpleasant day - this morning, at a $\frac{1}{4}$ after four - Wobisher left for St. Johns en route for Montreal - the crossing on the ice, men as Langelier, being deemed unsafe - he took the train as far as More's

unction, and then arriving to Montreal by Lachine -
it was by far, the best mode of travelling, at
this season — the roads from Ligne to St. Johns
are in a fearful state — Bassile, says, it is
not to be told — they took 4 hours & a half to get
there — a beautiful bright moon — promising
fair weather for to-morrow — the ice is
still solid, on the St. Lawrence — the turbans went
down with their fishing nets — they have returned,
finding, there is nothing to take, for the present —

Thursday 17th April Church a church all day, but
not cold — Henri went to Bedford this afternoon —
he found the roads awful awful — there are a great
many logs in the river belonging to other people —
the water, not being very high — they seem to have
some difficulty to get them over the dams —
There is yet a little snow on the west side of our
road — this morning Will went out shooting, with
his Uncle — they were disappointed in not seeing
the black ducks, they, intended, to kill — it
threatens rain — Caro took her usual ride on
the donkey — I have a head-ache — & feel
very low & spirits — I do so much miss my own
dear mamma! —

Friday 18th April at five o'clock this morning
a heavy shower of rain & hail - after which
the sun came out - the weather plea-
-sant for the moment - and again, it
was cloudy & damp - this afternoon, weather
delightful - wind from the N. E - then went
to the Falls - the roads awful, very wet -
Willy drove us to him to visit the School at
Spears' corner - he was perfectly satisfied
with it - Caro takes a walk every evening
with her Uncle - there is a month
to-day - my dearest dear Harmonia
is, no more — I have felt very wretched
all day —

Saturday 19th April Fair a bright, lovely
sunshine - the air from the North -
but, still, a pleasant temperature - John
has been planting fir trees to-day — this
afternoon he planted potatoes in the
garden — Caro continues to take her evening
walk, with her Uncle — dear children! they
are both well - we're all sold, Jimmy to
Denners - she is a pretty beast - how much
I wish, will regret - she is gone — I have
an awful rheumatic pain in my right
arm —

Sunday 20th April - cold & cloudy - the wind N. W. -
a great many people at church, for the state
of the roads - although, they are drying -
Fever Herr is again laid up with an
attack of the gout in the foot - he commenced
to suffer this morning between three & four
o'clock - he did not take any Colchicum
this time - he is rather better, to-night -
he kept his bed, all day - we have
heated the stove to-day, like in winter -
it has felt, like an autumnal day -
a lovely bright moon, but cold -

Monday 21st April - cold & cloudy this morning
and I may add the whole day, until
about six o'clock P. M. when it commenced
to rain by torrents with a strong N. E. wind -
Herr got up for luncheon, after having
passed a part of the night without much
pain - having put on Landauum and cotton
batting on his foot - he was limping a good
deal, when he got up - after luncheon, he
put on his boots, although, it gave him pain
and mounted his horse a rode about the
premises - he took brandy in the course of
the day - smoked a cigar to-night, and when
he retired, to his room, this evening, he said
he felt better and did not limp so much,

I must own, this, has been, a new, mode
of treating the gout - I hope & trust, he
will continue better & soon get rid, of
this attack -

Tuesday 22nd April - early this morning, rain
clear'd up, sun came out fine & pleasant -
lasted but a short time, it became
cloudy, chilly, & disagreeable - in the
afternoon, rather pleasanter - Henry
rode down to Whitney's - he is better,
but, not well - he still, feels gouty -
this evening more rain - John planted
fir trees & different kinds of shrubs, to-day -
they are yet, working, to get the logs off
the farm -

Wednesday 23rd April - early this morning, it rained
for a short time - then the weather became
bright & beautiful - a brilliant sunshine
warm & pleasant - after taking an early
breakfast Mr. Le Lire & wife went down to
Larochele to fish - they returned at 11 o'clock A.M.
with 40 perch - much pleased with their
excursion - on his return, Mr. Le Lire went on
a fish call - in the Ridge - he then came back

to take a late luncheon - before Desavary had arrived
in the interim - a they, then left for Burnham
Mills, drove them - it is not to be told ^{how} poor
Herr suffered all last night - and again, all
this day - he has been in excruciating pain all
the time - he took Opium this morning -
and to-night he has suffered most
dreadfully - and is still suffering, at this hour
(Ya just twelve, I fear very much, he will
have no rest, this night - what a cruel
mischief! I have given him, many little things
to take, with the hope, of alleviating his pains -
but, all, without success - nothing, seems to
alleviate his sufferings - may it be the will
of God, to ally his pains - I do feel so
bad, so tously - - Mother of God! pray for
us!

Thursday 24th April - a most lovely day - quite
summer - it was perfectly delightful - the air
so sweet a balmy - a bright warm sun -
Herr is better - after spending a most
dreadful night - I never saw him suffer
such intense pain - for such a length of
time, it seemed to me, as if the spasm would
never cease - he looks so fatigued and
ragged - he cannot yet, support, himself on
his foot - but still, is without pain -

Mr & Mrs' returned from Durham, this afternoon, much pleased with his visit - rather fatigued from the rough roads - inspire desire continued home, immediately — — — I received a note from James to-day giving us the happy tidings - of dear Lucy having a daughter - Henry is proud and delighted — James is not very well - we expect him here, next week — Caro a willy both ~~had~~ ^{wore} straw hats, to-day it was so warm a pleasant - I put away my fur cloak, this morning - the woods are drying fast - the boats are expected to fly from Montreal to St Lambert this week - it is later than usual — the grass - is only, just commen- — eing to look green —

Friday 25th April - most pleasant weather so warm & delightful - a beautiful sunshiny day tree, is budding out - the wintering is now commencing to look gay & growing — Henry still, kept his bed to-day - although, he was not in pain - that, is, no paroxysms - he cannot put ^{down} his foot, without being in pain - he is very thin - much altered - this cruel malady, fairly wears him out - God! grant, the fine season, will give him returning health —

Saturday 26th April - quite summer to-day — it was delightful, to leave all the windows open, to breathe that soft balmy spring air — it is really quite renovating. Henry left his room to-day — he took Luncheon, with us — was out the greatest part of the day — basking in the sun, his walks with the aid of his stick — limping on, the best way he can — how much he requires to recruit! after having passed, such a severe & trying winter — change of air, would be of service — I hope — he may get away, for a short time — in fact, he must — Mr. Le Curé took out his steamboat to-day, for the first time this season — Caro has a slight head-ache — I feel low spirited —

Sunday 27th April — This morning threatening rain — temperature pleasant — a great many people at church — this afternoon, the sun came out, for a few moments — it again became cloudy — but the air was soft & delightful — I took a walk about the grounds with Caro — Henry is not yet well — I hope a pray, he may soon rally — his foot is yet very painful — he walks in the garden — for a few minutes — it is rather coldish — to night —

January

Monday 28th April - Rain all day - not cold -
Henry is better - notwithstanding having had a tooth,
cold shiver this morning - but he will
certainly be Catesbeian & have communion
to-day - dear Caro helped me to subscribe
to-day - this evening a heavy shower of
rain - accompanied by thunder - I received
letters from England, this afternoon one
from dear Louise, one from dear Fanny
dear children; they express their grief - at
on hearing that their dear grand-mother
was no more - she, who loved them
so dearly - she spoke of them, a few
moments, before drowning her last - —
Dearest dear Maria - how much I miss
her - Mr. Cawell writes me a long letter,
feels my loss - a great hail in the ridge -

February

Tuesday 29th April a great deal of rain during the
night - accompanied by thunder - this morning it was
cloudy & foggy - the weather cleared up about
10 o'clock a.m. - the sun came out - temperature
pleasant - but he will go fishing -
returned in the afternoon - without having
taken a single fish - they went too late
to have a bite - Henry is better - he hopes
to be able to walk out, to-morrow, if the

now

weather proves fine - the grass is now, beautiful & green
this morning, it is rather cool - after the rain &
Thunder, of last night - the Iron Duke commenced
its regular trips, to St Lambert ~~last yesterday~~ —

Wednesday 30th April - This morning it was cloudy -
the wind N. E. very cool all day - for my part,
I almost found it cold - the sun, came out
this afternoon, bright & pleasant - Benj went out
after luncheon - he drove as far as the Falls -
he is very much better - although, his foot is yet
painful, when he wears a strong boot

This evening, at 7^o past seven o'clock - James, Bob,
and Theodore arrived from Montreal - the roads
most fearfully awful from St Johns here -
James says, it cannot be told - Lucy & her
dear Baby are quite well - I am very low spirited
to-night - Lucy & Francis went in the
steamboat

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Thursday 1st May - Most lovely weather -
bright sun shine - a great many people
at church - the altar looked well - Henri came
to Mass - before St Aubin came to dine
with Mr le Cire - he returned ^{home} after dinner -
as usual - Caro went to take her evening
walk with her Uncle — it is cloudy to-night
it threatens rain —

Friday 2nd May - This morning it was damp and
chilly in the forenoon it commenced to rain
and continued to do so the remainder of the day -
at five o'clock P.M. we had the Prayers of
the Month of Mary - Henri continues to improve
in health - God grant, he may now, enjoy perfectly
I sincerely pray and ask such a happy return
every day of my life - Dear wife and dear
Caro are quite well - Henri purchased a pretty
saddle horse for Caro, to-day - she is, so
delighted - it is still raining to-night -
N.E. wind - John planted some white
strawberries - a some Lilies - which, Mrs. ^{the} House
sent me from Ferreborne —

Saturday 3rd May - Weather very cold, for the season -
The sun bright in the afternoon - Then continues
better - he goes out, and about, as usual -
the river is covered with ice - with a cano
are quite well - Hani rode Caro & horse
to - May - he likes it very much - it is really
cold to - night -

Sunday 4th May - Cloudy & very cold all day -
a great many people at church - He goes
at 10 o'clock to Bay - Hele and having left
immediately after, for St Hyacinthe - He will take
the first train in the morning - it snowed this
afternoon for a few moments - It is most disagree-
able cold weather - uncommonly cold for the season -
the stones are heated, as in winter - I have a
head -ache - not disposed to write - I am rather
low spirited -

Monday 5th May - Most changeable weather all day -
in the morning, it was cold, cloudy, & damp - In
the forenoon it cleared up for a few moments,
then it hailled - & rained - again the sun came
out bright - but cold - finally, we had a glorious
sun-set - Hani went to Bedford - as Mayor, to
preside over the Municipal Council - the new road
awful - with a cano wore their over coats all

Dear Mrs. Collier -

Saturday - it was cold & chilly - Mr. Le Gire writes, that
the roads in the grand line - are passable - -
Caro goes out as usual - every evening, to take
a walk with her husband - I did not go out
to - day - I am not well - they are making
the same menage in church - -

Tuesday <sup>6th May most lovely weather - a beautiful
sunshine - warm & pleasant - I have
been very busy, overseeing the same menage
of my cellars & store room - bonne affaire
de faite - John planted out - the rose -
trees to - day. I hope they will not suffer, from
being put out, in the open ground, so soon -
Heun is fatigued - he is, always, so much on
the go - his poor legs & feet are painful
when he retires - I said the Prayers of the
Growth of Many at church - this morning - few
people attended - lovely morning - fine weather
for to - morrow -</sup>

Wednesday 7th May - a continuation of beautiful weather
a bright warm sun - the winds are very dry,
but very rough - Henry complained last night
of a pain in his chest - it made me anxious -
Thanks Providence! it has left him - he is
all right, this morning - Billy, Cato, & Theodore
go every evening, after dinner, to take a
nice walk on the river - they enjoy it, very
much - I took down the office stove
to-day - and the one, in the sitting room -
I do not think it prudent, to take any more
down - in case, of a return of cool weather
again - a glorious sun set - this evening -
giving every hope, of a fine day, for
to-morrow - I feel, very bad, very little
to-night -

Thursday 8th May, This morning it was lovely
a bright - so warm & pleasant - in the afternoon
quite a change of temperature - it became cool
very cool, damp & disagreeable, cloudy, threatening
rain - Henry is not well - he retired early
immediately after dinner - he feels gouty all over -
particularly, about the neck & shoulders - I feel
so anxious, so miserable to see him in that
constant state of suffering - God! grant he
may ^{be} quite well to-morrow - I am tired -
it is just eleven o'clock P.M -

Friday 9th May - Cloudy, chilly & damp - Stein
spent a most miserable night - he suffered
excruciatingly from the gout all about his
neck and then in his elbow - this morning he
took Colchicum - he got up only for
dinner - he is better to-night, God grant
he may continue so - Mr. le Cure returned
to - Day - I am sorry to say he left our much
beloved Bishop ill at the hospital - most
sincerely do I hope a speedy - he may soon,
be restored to health the full enjoyment of
perfect health - it is raining to-night -
Mr. le Cure went to St. George this afternoon
he returned ~~in~~ this evening —

Saturday 10th May - this morning it was cloudy-
chilly & damp - it cleared up again - and in
the afternoon rain - and this morning a
glorious sun shone out - Stein suffered with
the gout in his hand - he got up for dinner
only and retired immediately after - he took
Colchicum this morning - few people at
Mass, this morning - how thankful I will
feel, when Stein is quite well again - it is
so sad, to see him always in pain -
God grant him patience & resignation

Sunday 11th May - Pentecoste - most lovely weather, so
warm & pleasant - a great many people at church -
the walls very dry - but rough - after vespers,
Willie drove me to see a rich man - fireman ^{Duffy}
Poor Man; he is very ill - Caro came with me ^{the}
Henri is better - he got up a few moments before
dinner time - & retired immediately after - his hand
is much swollen a very painful - he again
took colchicum to-day - we le cure went, Mass
le young St Joseph (the Bridge) to Bless a cross -
this evening they all went in the steamboat
as far as Paradise - Caro returned delighted with
her trip - I of course, have neither heart a desire,
for any thing of the kind - I delight in being
left alone - I prefer it - it is so much more
congenial to my feelings -

Monday 12th May - This morning the temperature was
most delightful - about noon, it became cloudy a
very windy, threatened rain - late in the afternoon
there was quite a change - it was very cool, clear
weather - a fine sun-set - to-night a lovely
bright moon - Henri is better, he got up for
luncheon - walked as far as the Hill - but, still,
he is not well - he is much attired - his hand,
yet, much swollen a red - how anxious I am
to see him, improve in health - Henri did
both, ride a Johnson two very pretty horses -

they did not suit Harry - Gribisher purchased
a very pretty black Mare - from a man of
the name, Doughty - she is only three years
not yet broken to the wagon - she is very
very pretty - Bob calls her, Elie - Francis got
Prince Albert pease, sowed for me, in the field -
to-day -

Janned & Theodore

Tuesday 13th May - this morning it was very cool -
at 6 o'clock A.M. Janned a Theodore up
for the horses in white for Montreal - Rassile
drove them - Harry is much better - although not
yet well - he took more chloricum
this morning - the sun came out
beautiful & bright - the foliage is
commencing to expand - Francis very
busy getting his crops put down - we
see nothing but ploughing & harrowing -
I have a head-ache - I feel so depressed -
so low spirited -

Wednesday 14th May lovely weather, quite summer
temperature - this afternoon very warm -
beautiful dry weather - the winds very
rough - Harry much better - he drove to
the hills with Bob - the fine warm
weather is so beneficial to him - I have
great hopes, of his perfect return to perfect

health God! grant it — before I tyed up arrived
while we were at dinner such a lovely evening
its genial warmth is quite ravishing —
Ceno takes her usual walk after dinner,
with her Uncle — I am low spirited — triste —

Thursday 15th May — very very windy — threatening
rain all day — temperature very warm &
pleasant — this morning at six o'clock,
Mr le Lorie, Whisker & Willy left for
St Gregoire in a visit to Missin Crevier —
Edoule drove them — they returned this evening
at seven o'clock — Henri, Ceno and I drove as
far as Jerome Dufresne's — poor man, he
is very ill — I very much fear, nothing can
be done to save him — I returned to see him
a second time to — Mary — would I not be
blessed, if, I could succeed in prolonging his
days, on account, of his young family —
I saw, by to-day's news paper — poor Mrs Major
Campbell had lost her third son — (Thomas
Fucherem) his pet name, was Chou Chou —
poor dear lady! I no feel for her, from
the bottom of my heart — she can only find
~~relief~~ ^{to} her extreme grief, from the hands of
the Mother of God, who will intercede for her, & her
resignation & submission from her divine Son —
to soothe, her poor afflicted heart —

Friday 16th May - This morning the wind was
gentle - temperature pleasant, but rather cloudy -
rain last night - in the forenoon the sun
came out bright & beautiful - in the afternoon
the weather warm & delightful - Henri went to
Hambridge village after luncheon - Hungerford
drove him there - Jobisher rowed up the river
as far as Greens, and he walked from there, to
see poor Jerome Dufresne - who is rather
better - whilst we were at dinner before Fitzgerald
arrived from St. John's - a lovely evening,
although, rather coldish - wind N.W. since a
few hours - Henri continues very much better -
he takes the effervescent Magnesia, every
morning it seems to do him good - -

Saturday 17th May - Cloudy this morning - it
cleared off beautiful & warm - in the afternoon
it was very warm - after luncheon Jobisher
drove me to see my poor sick patient - he
is going fast - very weak - Coro came
with me - my own dear Billy received this
morning - he looked so pious - it did my
heart good, to look at him - Dear boy! may
he, always, be, pious, and strictly adhere to
his Christian Duties - he will then, be certain
to prosper, in all his undertakings - I put him
and dear Coro, under the special protection of

the Mother of God; many days of my life - dear dear
beloved children; may they always be, as happy, as they
are at present - Stein continues to improve in
health, slowly - he requires change of air - I hope,
he will soon be able, to absent himself -
I feel very bad, very lonely to - night -

Sunday 18th May - rain all day - a nice warm
rain - it will do an immense good - the ground
was hard & dry - few people at church -
Stein did not like to venture out - on
account of the rain - he improved, much
better in health - Caro and I drove to church
in the cab - I have a head-ache - I cannot
scribble this evening - rain has ceased
to - night -

Monday 19th May - rain in the morning - cloudy
the remainder part of the day - nice warm
temperature - beautiful growing weather - the
grass is so rich a luxuriant - and so much
of it - John mowed to-day in the garden
for the first time - Stein went to Kedron
to meet the Council - it was pouring rain,
when he left - he only returned for dinner -
I have been busy this afternoon, letter writing -

Tuesday 20th May - heavy showers during the night - this morning until nine o'clock, it was fair & pleasant - then, it commenced to rain and continued until late this afternoon, the roads very muddy - this evening, weather, bright & beautiful - fine clear sky - Stein is rather improving in strength - the Magnesia, he takes, every morning - seems to do him good -- This evening Joseph Racicot with his wife & children, arrived, to live here, he, as Couchman, in place of Thomas Creper and his wife, as Laundress, also, to replace Zoé - Thomas & his family left yesterday - they are gone to live in Montreal - They left our service, at their own request —

Wednesday 21st May - bright & fair but very cool for the season - heated the stove - The roads very muddy - I called to see my poor sick man - he was rather better to-day - this morning Joseph Racicot - couchman, commenced his time this morning - his wife, as Laundress - I hope they will both suit - it is so disagreeable to change servants - appearance of fine weather for to-morrow - I fear it will frost to-night —

Thursday 22nd May - Grand Procession to-day -
Weather most delightful, beautiful sunshine -
temperature most agreeable - a very great
crowd at church - the Procession was
magnificent - so pious, so solemn - not
a stranger attended - the ceremony was
throughout, most grand and impressive -
very thing so beautifully arranged, and
carried out, with such order - the
12 young girls, carrying the statue of the
Vesper Virgin, looked so modest, so pious -
the whole, of the ceremony, was brilliant -
Hans attended - he continues well, thus far -
after vespers, Mr Le Cure, Grob, & Lully and I believe
Francis, went to enjoy a promenade in steamboat -
they took, the french tent with them - and
pitched it at a pretty spot - they returned
delighted with their trip - Madame St Aubin
came to dine with us, he returned home -
shortly after - it is very cool this evening -
it looks like rain -

Friday 23rd May - very very warm weather -
July temperature - the sun was scorching
hot today - I missed the benefit of our
blinds very much - I cannot get them
put up, before next Monday - the person, who
generally puts them up, is busy working, at
the mill - the wads dry, but, very rough -
since 4 or just five o'clock P.M - we have
a most extraordinary sky - perfectly yellow
giving every thing & to every body such a
yellow tinge - During dinner, it became
so dark, we almost thought of lighting the
lamps - no doubt, it portends, a thunder
storm - notwithstanding, this threatening weather
Willy drove his Uncle to the bridge - they have
not, yet returned - I was against, this, late
drive - I hope they will soon return -
Hann purchased another worse, to-day - from
a man, of the name, Thirin - I wrote a
very long detailed letter to Miss Heywood, this
morning - - Coro sowed a large square
of white beans - to - day - the hopes, to have a
good return, and sell them, with advantage,
to me -

Saturday 24th May - early this morning, cloudy - and then a thunder storm, it continued to be showery all day - the roads are awful - a great deal of rain fell this afternoon - Hekiri was busy presiding to the placing of the new slip, for the saw-mill - to-night he is tired, having been standing so long a strong wind, this evening - it will be very cool, to-morrow - I have a head-ache to-night - I am not inclined to scribble -

Sunday 25th May - cloudy & very cold for the season - Caro and I wore our cloaks & wrapping to go to church, and still found it cold - the roads are awful - after mass, Hekiri drove me to see my poor sick man - he was in excruciating pain - rheumatic pains, in his back & thighs - it was pitiful, to see him, suffer so intensely - a few showers, this afternoon - it snowed for a few moments this morning - cold to-night - the stones are heated, and found very comfortable. perfect autumnal weather -

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Monday 26th May. This morning cold & cloudy —
this afternoon, most delightful weather,
pleasant temperature — the sun out beautiful
a bright — I drove this morning to see my
poor sick friend — gave him, Cocheuse's
Coldarium — for the first time — may it
do him good — Henni had intended going
to town to-day — as he did not feel very
well — he has put off until to-morrow —
put up the Blind to-day — later than
usual —

Henni went to town.

Tuesday 27th May — This morning it was rather
coldish — Henni left for St. Johns this morning
at 5 o'clock — en route for Montreal — Kerkle
drove him in a light waggon — he was
not very well — I feel very anxious for his
return — I so much fear, he will again
have an attack of the gout — I expect him
home to-morrow — God grant, he may be
spared, from his cruel malady — this
afternoon, the weather was beautiful a
bright, warm & pleasant — Mr. J. Young came
up to give Caro her Music lesson — he
had not been here, since the early part
of March — the roads very bad.
I have an awful head-ache — feel
low & listless —

Wednesday 28th May - a great deal of rain all day -
the roads very bad - Harry returned from town
this afternoon - he had a slight attack of the gout
last evening - he drove to Kirke's the Chemist,
who gave him Colloction (an external application)
it had the desired effect - he felt relief, from it
and was enabled, to travel to-day - through the
rain a damp weather - to-night he is fatigued,
but, does not suffer -- our coach man, who
came to live here - some days ago, is very
ill - dangerously so - Dr Bingham says, he
must give up - grooving or any other kind
of fatiguing work - he vomited blood by
immense quantities, at the time --
Dear Caro has a cold in her head - she
remained indoors all day -

Thursday 29th May - Very cool this morning after
all the rain of yesterday - Only a threatening rain
again, all day - this morning at seven o'clock -
Mr Le Lire received 25 children to their
First Communion - 9 boys & 16 girls - I
played the organ - Mr Le Lire addressed them
twice - the ceremony, was solemn & interesting -
This afternoon, Mespies, Dupuis, Devereux, Crevier,
Le Aubin a Fitzgerald all arrived, to attend to the
Grand Feast of to-morrow, (the Second Heart of Jesus).
They say the roads are awful in many

direction - but, particularly, in the grand line -
after dinner, the Gentlemen all left with Mr. LeClerc
to enjoy a trip to Quebec - the steamer was
decorated beautifully - all its lamps well trimmed
and all, looking so clean & cheery - however
they were deprived of going further, than,
Lorette, at the rain, set in, in full earnest,
they returned, had tea - & enjoyed a little Music -
and retired to Mr. Le Cire's room, there,
to smoke a few joints - it is pouring
rain to-night -

Friday 30th May à L'Assomption - rain by
torrents this morning - obliged to take the Calèche
to go to church - notwithstanding, the awful
state of the roads & continued rain - there
was a great many people at church -
no less than 185 received - we had a most
magnificent Mass - Mgr le Previer officiated, a
Vesperies by Aubin & D'Argentat, as Diacre & sous-Diacre -
Mr. Le Cire at the organ, with Lute when he
sang, admirably - Eddie & Billy joined the effect
from below, was most beautiful - they sang
a 'Domine', brilliantly - or Saint, also, a
Voxum Ergo, very beautifully - there were no
vespers - Saint, immediately after Mass -
Three Masses - that is, after the Gospel, Mr. Le Cire

read the Consecration to the Heart of Jesus from
the Pulpit - the whole of the Ceremony was truly
magnificent - we gave an early dinner to the
gentlemen - Misses & Miss D'espia & Drury had left in the
morning - the other gentlemen left at 3 o'clock
P.M. - it was very showery, the whole afternoon -
and very cold - the stoves are heated, as in
winter what weather and winds! Huri is well -
Caro much better from her cold in the head.

Saturday 31st May - very very cold - a strong piercing
wind from the N.W - this morning, Caro and I
wore our winter wrappings, to go to base hause -
I have been occupied making fire - from
the passage stone, to the one, in any position,
all day long - it is really, very very cold -
I do not know, when, I have felt so miserably
cold - Huri goes about as usual - he does
not seem to feel, this cold change - perfect
autumn weather - this afternoon it cleared
up bright & fair - but, still, very cold - a
fine sun-set - I hope, it will not, freeze
to-night -

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Sunday 1st June - Cloudy & cool - however not near so cold, as yesterday - notwithstanding, we heat the stoves - the roads very muddy - a great many people at Mass - after Mass we left for St George in cut times, from there, to-morrow morning to St John to take the first train en route for St Agacinte - Dupuis drove him to St George. Kribi has taken cold - he suffers from a swollen gum, tooth-ache, ear-ache & head-ache - he is quite altered - from pain - I am nursing him - I hope he will be better to-morrow. Huri is better, but, feels weak - he goes about as usual - the country is looking beautiful. The foliage fully expanded, and so luxuriant - it threatens rain, again -

Monday 2nd June - Cloudy, but, mild & pleasant - after breakfast, Huri runs up to Bedford, to the Council - Willy rode up there, to meet him - dear boy, he was delighted with his ride - his little mare - goes most pleasantly - I went twice to-day, to see my sick men - he is going to his long home, very fast - Carol's little horse - goes most delightfully - he is so kind, so gentle - Willy drove me the first time, there & back - who is

Theodore
all night again - his foot, batte and anodyne; did
him much good, last night - Theodore arrived
here, this afternoon - he came as far, as Pike River
in the stage - and rode up from there over
Two Mile Mare - the Stable boy, being there, waiting
for the Mail - dear Billy is not fatigued,
this evening, after his long ride on horseback -
& have taken much more exercise to-day,
than usual - I am very tired

Tuesday 3rd June Cloudy rain in the afternoon, always
rain - what a cold disagreeable season - no
vegetation, as yet - the ^{spring} ~~falling~~ time of the crops
has been much delayed, on account, of this unusual,
cold, wet weather - this afternoon Mr. Cuvier
arrived from Montreal on a visit to us, for a few
days, we were most truly delighted to see him -
Hann is pretty well - the intend, to leave, very
soon for New York - the roads are awful -

Wednesday 4th June rain rain all day - is it
not, too dreadful? nothing doing - what a delay!
rain by torrents - we sent 69 quintals of flour - to the
St. John's market, this morning - I fear it will
reach, in a bad state - the roads are most
awful. - this evening Cuvier, Hann & the children

amused themselves playing cards - (at d^r to p) -
Dear Law was not well to-day - she is
all right to-night - still raining - quite cold
fire in the stones - Henry complains of a
slight pain in his knee - God! grant
it may not last -

Thursday 5th June - lovely weather - how renovating,
to see a fine bright sun, after so much
cold, rainy weather - since some days -
such a pleasant temperature - it is
quite delightful - I went to see my sick man
Henry whoe me - I never passed ~~the~~ through,
such dreadful roads - Mr. Fisher commened,
to-day getting ditched, made on his farm;
him! - Civilis walked to see Mr.
Loring his improvements he returned on
horseback - on Law's horse - Morris
returned this morn - after having made
a fair good sale, of his flour - he
managed it very well - I have received all
my groceries from town - the steamers
bright on the road - Law is well and
bright, to-day - a glorious sun set -
a pretty bright young moon -

Civilian returned to town -

Friday 6th June - this morning cloudy and threatening rain - it cleared up about mid-day - although, not very bright, still, the weather was fine & pleasant - not, at all, too warm - John put out all his

Rabbis plants, in the open ground - they look well - be a very great many of them, if they all blow - it will be a beautiful sight - Henry is much better - he goes about as usual - he regrets not, having gone to New York, yesterday - he, must, now, put off, till the middle of next week - Civilian left this afternoon at five o'clock - Basile drove him, to the station - I have been very busy unpacking, all my groceries - home appare de faire - appearance of fine weather for to-morrow - Francis is rather behind hand - in his piping, however there is such a difficulty of procuring hands to work -

Saturday 7th June a beautiful warm day - quite, however - will it last - I hastened to put on the shades on my blinds - as the Musquitoes have made their appearance - there are a great many to-night - Reverend Peirce called a few moments before luncheon - he replaces Mr. Le Cure for to-morrow - Hungerford, gave us an idea, of the velocity of the single saw - it certainly goes beautifully

although, it is not yet, completed - it will not
be in operation, before Tuesday -- when,
will it be all in operation? that, is, the
question - Henri hopes very soon —
a lovely evening —

Sunday ^{to} ~~the~~ ^{to} ~~the~~ — very pleasant weather
although cloudy a part of the day - this
morning, it was very warm - particularly
in church - there was a great many crowded
at Mass - le Révérend Père made a very
beautiful sermon "sur la Religion - sur
le Bonheur qui n'est trouve que dans la
~~Religion~~ The was most interesting - after
Mass, he sent me to see my poor
sick man - who, is going fast - Prohibiter
Drove the Père - Jésus Marin; he felt so
happy to see us all - I walked out with
Lore this evening - we enjoyed our walk, very
much - the sky is rather overcast to-night -
I fear, we shall have more rain —

Monday 9th June - rain this morning, cleared up
bright & pleasant - warm temperature - in
the morning wind south, in the afternoon
N.W - the roads dry, but very rough -
I went to see my Lake Man this afternoon
he is very weak - after dinner, Henry
went to Basile's & Billy drove him, he has
some trouble, of going, to town early in
the morning - we heard to-day - by a
letter, from Henry to Frobisher, of the
melancholy tidings of poor Charlotte Mason's
death - poor Charlotte! she had been ill, since,
upwards of three years - a severe bronchitis
affection - her poor broken hearted mother,
how cruelly she will feel the bereavement -
poor old Mason, what a loss to her widow'd
heart - I will write to her to-morrow -
it is cloudy to-night -

Tuesday 10th June - this morning early, it was cloudy -
it cleared up, with a very bright warm sun -
the hottest day, we have had this season -
at 1/2 past 5 o'clock A.M., Henry, Frobisher & Ferguson
left for town - Basile drove them - Henry
returned at a $\frac{1}{4}$ past six o'clock P.M. in time for
dinner - he is fatigued - Frobisher is gone on
to Terrebonne - the roads in the ground lie in
rather better - I received a note from Chas. Mason
with a parcel from poor dear Charlotte - I am

so happy to have something from her - dear
girl! she kindly sent me, her own, Prayer Book
with a lock of her hair - how much, ~~I~~ I
appreciate, ~~that~~, remembrance - she died
most resigned, a happy to leave this world
of trials & woes poor Charlotte - I have prayed,
a will pray, for her - with all my heart -
her poor Mother! what a cruel separation! -
a fine warm evening - a great many musqui-
toes - I took down the ~~stool~~ of the passage a
of the Servant's Hall - I hope - I will not repent,
as I did last year - it is now, to be hoped,
to enjoy the temperature of summer —

Wednesday 11th June - intensely warm -
a most hot sun - the winds are
very dry - what a pity, they are so
full of holes - after dinner I drove up
with Willy & Caro to visit my sick Mom -
I found him very ill, exceedingly feverish -
the hydrocephalic brain is, once more,
in operation - I hope, it will continue
to give us water plentifully - Made an a
Margaret paper'd Willy's room, to-day -
it looks, so neat a flesh - the heat is
very great to-night - Then went to
Bekford this morning to meet the Council -

Thursday 12th June - a continuation of intense heat
after luncheon, Billy drove his Father to Bedford.
Nadeau & Margaret papered Francis room -
it looks very pretty - the paper is so gay, so
neat a pattern - I like it very much - Alice Caw-
mane herself quite useful, she assisted,
Nadeau, and matched the paper, with much
taste - a lovely evening - but, so many
mosquitos - they tried, the single gate, this
evening, it ran through a log in 1 minute
& 3 seconds - a strong South wind - it may
rain during the night -

Thursday Friday 13th June. rain in the morning,
cleared up in the afternoon - Mr le Cure
returned from his visit to his Conferees, in
the North - he is delighted with country he
passed through he brought home, such
a lot of good things - with others five dear
little baskets of New York strawberries - such
a rarity, and so delicious, it was very kind
of him, they were a perfect treat, to me.
He brought me a very handsome french
umbrella - very pretty colored silk - so light
& elegant - after dinner we all went to
see the single gate run through a log a 'bush'
it did it, in less than the minute - it certainly
goes admirably - cool & pleasant to-night -

Saturday 14th June - rain this morning a
very showery this afternoon - the walls
very muddy - Caro's room looks so
fresh & pretty - they finished papering it
yesterday - I just up, a very pretty iron
bedstead - in Francis's room, to-day -
it gives such a nice, comfortable appearance,
to his bed-room - I hope he will like it -
it is quite cool to-night - what a change
of temperature, since yesterday - a
fine sunset -

Sunday 15th June - a very disagreeable autumnal
day - so chilly - I regretted having taken down
my stone - Hein suffered with a gouty pain
in his foot - in the night, he rubbed it with
Colodion - this morning, he took a table-spoonful
of Colenso's Colchicum - he got up after breakfast
time - he limped about the house - he is
rather better, to-night - after vespers, I drove
up to see my sick man - he is a shade
better - Caro came with me - Gote, knew us.
the roads, are very passable - cold &
chilly to-night -

Monday 16th June. This morning, rather cold — about mid-day — the weather became beautiful — a bright, delightful temperature — they are mending the roads — I went with them to see my sick man — he is very ill — going fast — after dinner I went with the children & Francis in the steamboat for the first time, this season — we went as far Ruebes — there, we took Henri, on board — he was returning from the Grand-line on horseback — Willy, took his place, & rode home — he enjoyed our trip very much — a lovely evening & magnificent moon — my mind of thoughts — Henri is all right again no more gout — for the present —

Tuesday 17th June — a most lovely day — bright & warm — I went out on horseback with Frob, Willy, a Theodore — the first tried, his own little black horse, but, finding he did not go, reluctantly, she, changed horses, & took Colinaught — who is very gentle — she enjoyed her ride very much — Henri, has again decided, upon leaving to-morrow for Van York — wind & weather permitting I almost fear, it will rain, to-morrow — the roads — very much better — in the eve, went to Highgate, this morning — he returned for dinner —

Henri en route pour New York

Wednesday 18th June - This morning it was warm
a bright, in the afternoon being windy - and a
heavy shower - it was pleasant afterwards -
this morning at 7 just five o'clock Henri
left for Montreal - Basile drove him -
he leaves to-morrow morning, for New York
by the 6 o'clock boat - he sent me
some paper hanging by Basile - I have
never seen any ~~so~~ ^{that} hideously ugly -
I cannot make up my mind to put
up, the one, intended for my room -
I will return it - Coro took a ride on
horseback - after dinner - it is very cool
to-night -

Thursday 19th June - charming weather -
a shower early this morning - then, bright
& beautiful all day - after breakfast
we b. busé, first, Theodore & Quilly went in
the boat as far as Sorel - then, they
pitched their tent - and remained there,
enjoying, the delightful temperature we b. an
hour prepared the luncheon, whilst, the
others went fishing - at 10 o'clock, it seems
they sat in the boat and eat a most
delicious luncheon - all sorts of good things -
evenainties - they returned delighted, with
their day's excursion -

Nadeau & Margaret put up a tapestry in the
passage below - they will continue upstairs,
to-morrow - I drove with Billy after
dinner to see my sick man - he is
very ill - Caro took a ride on horseback
this morning -

Friday 20th June - Intensely warm - this
afternoon we had the pleasure of the
visit, of two grey nuns, from St Hyacinthe
I was delighted to see them - they remain
with us, until to-morrow - their names
are Sister Dupuis & Sister Marchessault -
both very interesting young women -
Mr le Lure went to St George - returned this
evening - mosquitoed by myriads -
I hope Stauri does not suffer from
the great heat - I hope - I will soon
hear from him -

Saturday 21st fine - a continuation of intense heat - such a burning sun all day - this morning after breakfast - our amiable Muns left for St George en route for St Athanase - they are going round to the different Parishes of this Diocese to collect a certain sum of money - to build a wing to their convent so, as, to be able, to accommodate a few Boarders - after dinner, Fobisher fitted up the Tent on the ground, in the park - it was perfectly delightful - Madam finished papering the upper passage - she is very fatigued - I am anxious to know how their is getting on - I fear, he was not well, when he left Montreal -

Sunday 22nd fine - This morning intense heat - a great many people at church - we had a beautiful Mass - the church so prettily decorated with maple boughs - the altar looking so chaste & elegant, with the numerous lilies - the imitation of them, so perfect - Mr Le Brun gave a very handsome discourse - on the Feast of the Navy - La St Jean Baptiste, the Patron of the Canadians - Fobisher played a number of sweet pretty national tunes - all

the time during Mass & Vespers we be cure to my
delightfully - upon the twelve - we had a very
brilliant Feast — quite a sudden change of
temperature - a strong wind, from the bast,
the atmosphere, became so cool a pleasant,
going to Vespers - we found the Change, most
sensibly - a few drops of rain - not enough,
to lay the Blot — after vespers, we be cure
left for M. Alexandre - en route, for Montreal,
we intervals, to wash, St John early in the
morning to take the first train — will, drove
me to see my sick Mom - he is very feverish,
quite cool a pleasant to - night —

Monday 23rd June - This morning very cool, for the
season - although the sun sets out, bright
& beautiful, still, it was cool, all day — rain
is much needed - the ground, so dry a
hard - this evening, when I took my usual
walk - I found, my wounded Otto, comfortable.
I received a Telegraphic by to-day's Telemail, from
Henry, saying, he has arrived in N. York - on
Tuesday, and was well - I was so happy &
delighted - at such cheering tidings —
expect him, home, to-morrow —

Henri returned from New York -

Tuesday 24th June - a most lovely day - pleasant temperature - at ~~ye~~ just past eleven o'clock a. m. Henri arrived from New York - bringing with him a French Cook - a soi-disant very good artist on Chef - Henri is looking very well - rather fatigued - having experienced such intense heat during his stay, in New York - he left A. York yesterday at 12 o'clock (mid-day) he had lovely weather to come on to-day - Coco is delighted with a handsome leather bag her Papa brought her - Willy with a handsome ~~bottle~~ ^{whip} riding whip, mounted in silver - brought me, a beautiful hat case - also, nice scented soap - for every one - a pleasant cool evening -

Wednesday 25th June - intensely warm, fine bright sun - this morning a little ~~sprinkling~~ sprinkling rain - not enough to lay the dust - Mr Le Loure returned early this morning in time to say Mass he brought me a very handsome bracelet with a la vierge - a perfect little bijou - a lovely evening - my beds, mosquitoes - Henri went to the Price's, this afternoon - he is quite well -

Thursday 26th June - the morning being warm but still pleasant - rain is needed - the roads good - after breakfast we b. Cire, Bob, Theodore & Willy went in the boat as far as Loral - there they pitched their tent - Theodore, Willy & Caro went out in the boat, to fish - Caro returned early to take her music lesson - the rest of the party remained until dinner time, taking their luncheon there - before St Aubin arrived in time, to be taken over to them to have his lunch - after our luncheon Henri drove Caro & I to the school at ~~the~~ St Georges corner - kept by Florence Duquette - a very nice and perfectly able young teacher - her scholars, are getting on very well, indeed - before St Aubin returned home after dinner the garden, looks beautiful - the poste very brilliant -

Friday 27th June - This morning quite a change of temperature - so with a pale aspect - the troupe is commencing to be fat - Madame has finished the washing morning of the Church linen - it is a bonne affaire, over - Henri was rather feverish last night - he is all right to-day - after dinner Caro went with Fréchette & Willy to take a ride on horseback - a most lovely evening - very cool - almost too much so for the season

Tuesday 28th June - This morning it was very cool - I wore my cloak to go to Mass - the sun came out very warm - a strong wind, from the S.E. - we were all wishing for rain - however, it cleared up, leaving no signs, of even, a shower - to lay the dust - which is very disagreeable - the breeze is great, very much felt, everywhere - our French clothe - gives us excellent dinners - no doubt, of his being, very anxious - Madame is fatigued after her weekly washing & ironing - very warm this evening -

Wednesday 29th June - This morning it was intensely warm - the heat oppressive to a degree - a great number of people at church - I was obliged to leave church - during Mass - I felt so weak & indisposed - I remained reclining on the sofa, the remainder of the day. In the afternoon we had a great deal of thunder and torrents of rain - it was truly terrible - it being so moist - needed - again to-night it is thundering & frequent showers - It is pleasant and cool

Monday 30th June - Thunder ~~went~~ used to be heard
in the distance - Showery all day - how
very beneficial, this rain, it - it is a boon
to the country at large - the crops were comon-
ing to suffer, from the drought - the country
is looking so nice & beautiful - so luxuriant -
the inhabitants of the ground line - asked for a
map this morning - to obtain the grace of
God, on the fruits of the earth - Beautiful
growing weather - this rain - is so warm
a fruitful - got off by the stage this afternoon
for Montreal - en route for Terrebonne -

Tuesday 1st July - This morning very cool
I wore my Waded coat, to go to church -
Wadeen prepared my bed - room
to - day - it looks so fresh & pretty -
This afternoon the sun came out
warm & bright - it rained during
the night - the roads, are rather muddy -
Harr went to Stoubridge - village -
returned for dinner - the he, we went
to take supper, with Presepe Desorey - we
returned in time for prayers -
appearance of fine weather -

Wednesday 2nd July - lovely weather all day -
such pleasant temperature - a great
many people at Churuc - this morning -
Several Received - Willy commenced taking
Riding Lessons this evening - from Díaz -
the Barometer is broken - it blew ashore
an American, that it was blown down --
I regret it very much - Caro had a
slight head-ache to-day - it is
rather cold to-night -

Thursday 3rd July - very showery all day, Thunder
heard, at a distance - at times very warm -
the sun came out - pouring heat -
early, this morning, Hein left for town,
there was, then, appearance of rain -
however, he must have reached, before the
few drops of rain, we had, could have caught
him - we finished to-day arranging the
Larou a the Stranger's bed room - all, looks
neat & fresh - Willy went out again
to night - to take a riding lesson - the
mosquitos are so numerous, & so
troublesome - we are afraid of remaining
out-side - this evening - an other shower
to-night -

Hein went to town

Friday 4th July - a heavy shower, during the night
a few peals of thunder - in the afternoon, weather
bright & warm - Mr. Le Cure went to take luncheon
at Henryville - at 1^o past six o'clock P. M. —

My Nieces, Louise & Annie McPherson, with
some Negro & Gobishir animals, Pelan, having
brought them in his large wagon - they
were much fatigued - found the roads - awful
& rough — we took a very late dinner —
they left town at 1^o past two o'clock P. M. —
Henry came on by the steamer of four o'clock
P. M. — in consequence it was 1^o past eight o'clock
P. M. when he reached home — he was
delayed, a little time at the Athanase — as he had
to call for a hairy maid — a Scotch girl
by the name of Barbara Wright — it is
pleasant and cool this evening —

Saturday 5th July - lovely weather, pleasant temperature
my Nieces are bright & comfortable this morning
they feel renovated, after a good night's rest —
they are very nice girls — I like them very
much — Henry is well — travelling seems to
agree with him — we all went in the
steamboat this evening — it commenced to rain.
we had to return home, in all haste — —
it is very cold to-night —

Sunday 6th July - This morning it was warm
a pleasant, a great many people at
Mass - about luncheon time - thunder
was heard, rain in torrents - it was
only a shower it cleared up, when we
meat to respend - it rained again - very
came home in the cab - after
dinner we went to take a long walk -
I wore my waded cloak it was so
cold - the weather is bright & beautiful
this evening - but, cold for the season -
George Desoroy came to die with
Mr le Cure - he returned to his home
immediately after - the roads rather
better -

Monday 7th July - very cold weather for the
season - a bright sun - I found it so
cold that I wore my waded cloak
Whenever, I went out, to - day - my
poor sick man - Fireman Infresne,
died this morning at two o'clock - aged 33 years
his young widow, is in a sad state, her
grief is unbounded - Mr le Cure left for
Montreal this morning - to go & hear the
Montagnards sing - it is very very cold to-night

Wednesday ^{the} July - In the morning cloudy - then
the sun came out very warm - after breakfast
I accompanied the juvenile party to Saracouina
grove - where, we took luncheon - we stopped
over in the leow - a returned home at 3 o'clock -
after dinner we had a heavy shower - thunder
heard, at a distance - Mr. Le Lure returned from
Town this evening - he is perfectly delighted, with
the singing of the Montagnards - he says, it
is impossible, to fancy any thing more beautiful -
I have a tooth-ache - this evening -

Wednesday ^{the} July - This morning much rain -
it was pouring rain, when we went to church -
this afternoon - bright & beautiful - this evening
rather cool - Stark is not well - he complains
of slight gouty pains about the feet - God
grant, he may be all right to-morrow -
he intends going to town in the morning
if - well enough - the young party, all
went out in the leow - they had a
pleasant trip to the end of the white fence -
Willy continues to take his violin lesson every
evening -

Henri went to town & returned

Thursday 10th July. This morning it was rather cool - in the afternoon, intensely warm - early, this morning, Henri left for town & returned this evening at 8 o'clock - he feels rather fatigued after such a quick mode of travelling - the young party drove to Bedford - they returned delighted with their drive - the roads good - Henri feels very much better of the gouty pains, he experienced last evening - a lovely evening - we took a long walk after dinner.

Friday 11th July. To-day the heat has been most intense - this afternoon - it was scorching hot - after dinner, we all went in the steamboat as far as Rutherford - the evening most lovely - a pretty young moon - so soft and mellow - Henri suffers from a too ear-ache - it is worse he told us last week - I have a head-ache to-night -

Saturday 12th July - rain all day - it was much
needed - James arrived by the stage,
he is looking very well - the juvenile party
was deprived of taking exercise to-day - the
rain kept them indoors - I hope the weather
will prove fine to-morrow -- Madam
has been making lots of preserves a jelly - Rhubarb,

Sunday 13th This morning intensely warm -
a great many people at church - this afternoon
rain frequent showers - intensely warm -
we were expecting several Priests for dinner -
finding the heat so great - they only came
this morning - Bishop Dupuis, Crevecoeur
D'Avorey, ~~are~~ the first arrived - to-morrow
we expect Bishops St. Aubin & Larocque -
we anticipate much pleasure in hearing
the Montagnards - I hope nothing will
keep them from coming -

Monday 14th July - Bright a beautiful, but
 intensely warm - the Montagnards,
 arrived at 9 o'clock this morning - the
 immense crowd attracted a number, to come
 and hear them was very great - it is
 quite impossible to attempt, to describe
 their singing - it must be heard, to
 be understood - it is magnificent, sublime,
 thrilling to a degree - such vocal powers
 are almost supernatural - they are certainly
 wonderful - they sang a "Rome Mass" -
 which was beyond description - the
 "Kyrie" was truly beautiful - in fact,
 the whole of the Mass - was superb -
 the "Cantique à la Croix" was divine -
 at two o'clock P.M. they gave a concert
 in the Law Mill - they sang, their native songs
 most beautifully - so feelingly - we were
 all, in a perfect state of admiration and
 deep admiration, to hear such singing!
 They are six in number - the "Soprano"
 is beautiful, the "Baritone", extraordinary -
 the "Bass", superb - there having been
 here, will be a long remembered
 souvenir - they took their dinner, at
 the Mill house, I think a very nice
 with them - they came after their dinner -
 and walked through the grounds -
 I have a few notes - concerning their
 society - they have sung in the presence -

1755 Convergus through Europe - Asia & Africa
I so much rejoice, at having had an opportunity
of hearing them - and this favour, what
is, altogether, to be emanating from M^r le C^re's
kindness a generosity he, has heard them
in Montreal, but, knowing what satisfaction,
it would give us, to hear, them here,
he engaged them to come & sing Mass and
also to give a concert - few attended, as we
did not wish, to make it too public -
they returned to St. Jolns at five o'clock P.M.
en route for Montreal — all the Priests
left also to return to their homes — after
having taken an early dinner this evening
I feel very tired - I rose early - and have
been so excited, so interested, upon the
wonderful singing of the Montagnards —
that I must retire early — M^r le C^re
left at the same time as his Conference
he goes to St. Grégoire this evening — and to
St. Hyacinthe, to-morrow — a pleasant
evening, although, we fear rain in the
morning —

Tuesday 15th July. Much rain, this morning
a very heavy shower, during the night -
this forenoon it cleared up - bright
a beautiful - but very warm - the
clouds dried up immediately -
after dinner - my Nieces, Miss Morrogh
& Cato came with me to visit the
Cottagers - we found them all - happy
and comfortable - so neat & clean
very white - a most lovely moon -
we also took a long walk in the
pasture - a very heavy dew - we came
in with splashes - it was such
a lovely evening - James is always
gay & funny -

Wednesday 16th July This morning it was
very cool - My Nieces Miss A. Morrogh
& Webster returned to Montreal - Petam
having come last evening - they left
this morning at 1/2 past four o'clock -
Cato feels a blight - after, having had
her visitors - eleven days - this afternoon
the heat intense - a strong south wind -
which, will bring on rain - Flora
speaks of returning with to town to-morrow -
I hope it will not rain -

Henri & James & Billy

Thursday 14th July - Early this morning, it was fair & pleasant, although, rather warm. — Henri, James & Billy left for Montreal at 1/2 past five o'clock A.M. Billy took no umbrella, saying, it was not needed — at seven o'clock A.M. — a very heavy shower came on, it lasted, a little time — my fear and anxiety is, that Billy got wet — he had his India-rubber Cape — but, still, having no umbrella — he will have been uncomfortable — Billy drove himself with four-wheeled horse — James & Henri went together — I expect my Friend Mr Bouthillier to-morrow — I shall be so happy to see her — Showery all day — excessively warm & oppressive —

Friday 15th July — Intensely warm — Henri & Billy returned from Montreal this morning — at nine o'clock — they were both fatigued, from the awful heat of yesterday & to-day — denim Billy got his hair cut, it is a great improvement in his looks — this evening a strong wind from the N.W. — a heavy shower — we have had none to M^r George — on his return, he caught a little of it —

Saturday 19th July. What a sudden change of
temperature is it is quite cool - and has been
so, the whole day - a strong wind from
the West - I wore my shawl, to go to Mass
this morning - after Breakfast, Caro
went to take a ride on horseback with
Theodore & Willy - they returned for luncheon
Caro was delighted with her ride -
the weather is lovely - so cool & pleasant -
this afternoon it was showery - at 6 o'clock
P.M. - my good friend Fanny, with her dear
boys, accompanied by James arrived, Peter
drove them up front of John's - they found
the roads very bad - Fobisher has not
returned - I feel very disappointed - as it compels -
me to play the organ to-morrow - it will
be trying to me - what can I do! -
James, brought Caro, a very handsome
riding belt - she is delighted with it :-

Sunday 20th July - rain all night - and
showery all day - few people at Mass -
the roads very muddy - Fobisher did
not come - I had to go up to the organ -
much, against my inclination -
appearance of more rain - I hope it
will soon be fair & pleasant, that, my
good friend Fanny, may enjoy the
evening, by taking out-door exercise,

the dear Boys amused themselves with the Doukay
they rode in the park - and enjoyed it very
much - Henri still complains, of a ear-ache -
there is gout in that, ailing - - God, grant
him health - - -

Monday 21st July - very very cool, this morning,
fine, fair & pleasant weather all day -
the roads have dried, very much - Henri
drove as far as Stanbridge village returned
for dinner - after dinner we all went in
the steamboat - Fanny enjoyed her trip very
much - a lovely evening - Billy took a long
ride on horseback - he returned late -
Mr Le Cure purchased a handsome Mare
to-day -

Tuesday 22nd July - most bushy weather,
rather warm in the afternoon - Fanny
is well - she seems to enjoy herself - Charles
and Henri take a great of exercise -
Mr Le Cure confessed upwards of
a hundred and fifty children to-day -
lovely evening - beautiful sun set -

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Wednesday 23rd July. Very warm all day - after luncheon - Charley & Stein went to take a drive with H-D - they were delighted with their drive - after dinner, we took our usual walk - it is very close to night - Oppositely hot - this morning they fished below the Barn - with a net - whilst others were beating the water - the movement of which, made the fish, spring in the net - they took a great many - Willy was one of those. Who walked in the water, following those, who carried the net - it must swimming to look at them -

Thursday 24th July - Intensely warm, a burning sun - we slept indoors to-day - we only walked out after dinner. Mephisto, & Ambin came to spend his longe with Dr. Le Cure - he returned home, after dinner - Mr. Fury, came to give Caro, her pianist lesson - he played the guitar for us - it is very very warm to-night -

Steens, Mrs. Pontifex Whistler
Friday 25th July - such intense heat all day -
early this morning, there left for town -
what excessive heat; he will have experienced
to-day; we all kept very quiet, the
whole day - as the least movement, would
have been intolerable - after breakfast -
the boys, put up the tent on the ground -
they enjoyed it very much - after dinner
we all went in the steamboat - a
lonely evening - but, very warm -
the sun ~~too~~ was glorious - but,
indicating intense heat for to-morrow.

Saturday 26th July of any thing, still, warmer
than yesterday - it is hot, to be told -
I returned from town, this morning
at 10 o'clock - saying, the heat, was intolerable
every where - Mr. Bonthillier arrived a few
moments before dinner time - then
at 10 o'clock P.M. Whistler arrived, with
my nephew, Alexander McHendie, an
uncommon nice boy - I have a
tooth-ache - Mr. Leake went on a
sick call, to the boy - he did not
return before 10 o'clock P.M. - the heat
is awful to-night -

Monday 24th July - a continuation of intense heat - for great many people at church - after dinner we all went, in the steamboat - we enjoyed it very much - it feels pleasanter to-night - not so warm as last evening - it is cloudy we all with, a hope, for a little rain to refresh the air - and make us breathe more freely —

Monday 28th July - The heat continues to be most intense - the sun is so hot - although we keep the house, shut up a dark still it is very warm - the evenings are not over, cool - it is beautiful weather for story-making - Mr. Boutillier, made me a very handsome plan of a manor house, which, I hope, one day, to see erected here —

Tuesday 29th July - to yours try's chand - no diminishments in the excessive heat - it continues to be dreadfully hot - then drove to centre Sandbridge - we found the heat very great - Mr. Fung,

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Came to Caro her music lesson —
Miss Fitzgerald came in a little after
noon — complaining of his warm drive.

Mrs. & Miss Bentall's children —
James & Theodore

Wednesday 30th July. This morning it was
very warm — at $\frac{1}{4}$ past five o'clock a.m.
my amiable friend a family, accompanied by
John & Theodore, all left for Montreal
yesterday, leaving Mr. & Mrs. Bentall & a child
Fazile, driving James & Theodore — they
had a nice morning to travel — they
reached St. John's early — the sun came
out, scorching hot & this evening a
heavy shower, loud peals of thunder —
the weather, is still warm & oppressive
it looks like ~~mosse~~ rain — I am
very tired, I got up so early — still,
many, mosquito's — Tom is well —
the heat has been intolerable — since
a number days —

Thursday 31st July - notwithstanding the rain
and thunder of last evening - the heat
is still very great - almost unbearable -
the sun so hot - after luncheon - they all
drove down in my nice carriage - as far
as Whitney's with Brusset & Pommel horses
it seems they go beautifully together -
they make a good pair - Caro has a
head-ache - we have yet, a good deal of
ice - in my small ice-house -
Mr le Poer a Bishop of Rubin, came in for
dinner - the Bishop has gone on to St Alexander -

Friday 1st August - This morning cool a pleasant -
as mid-day, heat most dreadful - in the
afternoon it was intensely hot - the whole
of July, has been very very warm - the
roads very dusty - Henry is suffering from
a bite in an awkward place - he cannot
sit, comfortably - we are busy making
preparations to receive our beloved Bishop,
with all pomp and honor possible -
a lovely cool evening - to-day being the
eve, of my Trust - my dearest children, came
to present me, with a most beautiful intaglio
in Parian marble - a gift, from our kind
generous Curé - it is a perfect little box -
so delicately made - a perfect bijou -
dearest Caro comforted a road to me most
affectionate lines - I fully felt their import -

Saturday 2nd August very warm and very dusty —
His Lordship the Bishop of Cloyne arrived
with his Suite at three o'clock P.M. - started
by a numerous cavalry, all organised and
got up by Whistler - the Judge D'Neil, was
very pretty - His Lordship alighted from
his carriage at the Mill house, where, we
are all assembled to greet him, on his
arrival - he made his entry, in a most
stern manner - Mespire Dupuis preached
very well indeed - he was most interesting,
and so graphic — after the evening service
was over his Lordship came to his dinner.
Joseph was in waiting with my carriage
to bring him — He is continuing to suffer
from a bite — I am happy to find our
clear between Bishop & Doctor so much
better, his health, seems to improve —
Mespire Lester is very gay & amiable —
John gave us a recon for dinner —

Sunday 3rd August This morning the Bishop
gave Confirmation to hundred & fifty persons
Whistler played, all during the ceremony —
How thankful I am to have him, here, at this
moment — Mespire Dupuis preached at
ground level — the music and singing at the
organ - was very beautiful — the church
was very very full - so dense, that the

crowd, that many had to remain, but down
in the afternoon, before Redier - gave a
very handsome discourse held it very
elegant - the Bishop sang the Salut -
in the morning, his Lordship addressed the
flock with so much feeling & affection -
he speaks to the heart - It was very
very warm in church - this evening a
change of temperature - it is cool & pleasant -

Monday 4th August - Early this morning a heavy fog -
the sun came out in the forenoon -
warm & brilliant - a great many people
Presented - his Lordship made no his
actions both in French and English -
he is so penetrating in all his sayings - so
much knowledge - forms the basis of all
he speaks - he is nearly beloved - by all
his flock of Notre Dame des Anges -
he is, so deserving, of all, our love, respect,
and deep veneration - after taking an
early dinner - the Bishop, visited the grounds,
and walked down, as far as the lave mill - he
admired it very much, found it to well finished -
quite a marvel, in its way - he, then,
continued to church to recite the passing
Prayers - the Carriages & Cavalry were
in waiting at the door - they all

~~morning~~, left for Dunham - saying to us "an
Adieu"; we all expect them back - on Wednesday
evening - we shall have the happiness, of enjoying
his Lordship's Society for a few hours - he
leaves on Thursday morning very early - so
as to take the first train, en route for Routheal -
Harr. went to Bedford this morning to backside the
Municipal Council - he returned early, to dine
with the Bishop - he is a shade better from his
illness - he intends to leave in the morning for
town - rain this evening -

Tuesday 5th Augt. Rain all night - Harr. has given
up his trip for today - a quiet settled rain
all day - it will do good to the grass -
Mr. Kirby, came to give Caro her music lesson
Willy went on a message, to Robinsons,
Bralake la Joline - Harr. is better - I have a
head-ache - I am fatigued - we had a
melon, for dinner - very dry - during the
Bishop's visit - the fruit, has dried up
from the mouth - raspberries & currants
and gooseberries - much less than usual -

Wednesday ^{the} Augt rain again - & by torrents -
 the roads already very bad - at 7th a.m.
 sis o'clock P.M. our kind Bishop &
 Sister arrived from Durham - in the
 midst of the rain - fortunately, his Lordship
 drove in a covered carriage - I was
 happy & delighted to see him again -
 although he had been ill, all night, & kept
 my bed, till four o'clock P.M. still, I roused
 myself & exerted myself, to that degree, that
 I got up, dressed, and was in perfect
 readiness to receive him - he has
 returned, much satisfied, with his
 visitation, ^{to} Durham - so many
 attended, and so many received &
 were confirmed - he also blessed,
 a very beautiful bell for the church -
 upon the whole, he is well pleased -
 I still suffer to-night —

Thursday ^{the} Augt rain, rain, always
 rain - I gave an early dinner to
 the Bishop & Sister - it was so delightful
 to enjoy his Lordship's society - he is
 so kind, so meek, so venerable, it is
 a perfect pleasure, to have the
 advantage, of conversing, with him -
 it does one, so much good - how

very much, & appreciate, his holy visit! —
Melpire Roster, is very gay & amiable —
always, something, witty, to say — at
yr just two o'clock P.M. they all left
for St. Jolivis — Mr le Cure accompanied
his Lordship to Montreal — they will
all take, the first train, in the morning —
What a blunder! this evening — — — very
one gone — Melpire St. Aubin, returned
to his home — immediately after the
departure of the Bishop & suite —
Henri is well, from the pile-enquestion
It is heating fast — it is raining to-night

^{Friday 8th Augt} notwithstanding the rain,
Henri left early this morning for town —
it has rained to-day all day by bursts,
to the exception, of a few minutes, that a
burning hot sun came out — and
then — rain again — it has rained very
very, this week — I am better — Thunder
this evening — and very heavy flowers —
& hope Henri, will not feel, any bad
effects, from travelling, in such damp
weather — very wet weather —

Henri & Henry

Saturday 9th Augt This morning early
rain by torrents - I never heard, any-
thing like it - a perfect froebel -
at 10 o'clock A.M. Henri & Henry ~~are~~ arrived,
when they left Montreal, at 10 o'clock
it was fair - it was not so here -
such rain: the roads are awful -
Henry is looking the picture of health, -
poor Henry! we are happy to see him -
the sun came out in the forenoon
very hot - indicating more rain -
it is not, to be told, all the rain,
we have had, this week - Mr. C. E.
arrived from St Athanase a few moments
before dinner - he came from
Montreal this morning, with Henri -
during dinner, it thundered & rained
against - the roads in the grand lignes
are, almost impassable - the water
very high - quite a froebel -
Henri is very tired -

Sunday 10th Augt A very nice pleasant day,
delightful temperature - not, very many
people, at church this morning, the
roads very bad - Missie Desorcy, came
in to dine with Mr. C. E. just a
few moments before six. - I have a head-ache.

We all hope - rain has ceased for some time - although, more clouds are forming.

Monday 11th August - thunder & rain in the night, this morning it was fair & pleasant. Early a Caro commenced their school to-day, their holidays being over - during luncheon, we heard a few claps of thunder - and a little rain - this evening, very appearance of fine weather, for to-morrow - a bright moon -

Tuesday 12th August notwithstanding, the appearance of fine weather, after the prognostics of last evening - we had much rain to-day - this morning it was pleasant - after breakfast, Caro took advantage of it - she went out, on horseback with Henry a Whistler they got to be quite a long ride - and enjoyed it very much - we le'ure went to Henriville, he returned for dinner - Cloudy, a damp this evening - appearance of more rain - -

~~for many days~~ ~~since~~ ~~rain~~ ~~was~~ ~~wet~~ ~~and~~ ~~dark~~ ~~now~~

Wednesday 13th Augt This morning it was pleasant, after all the thunder & rain during the night - after Breakfast, we prepared buckets of provisions to take with us in the boat - to go and pitch the tent - on some pretty spot, to take our Luncheon - after having selected a propitious place - we all employed ourselves to make the dinner & lay the cloth - in the midst of all this all our various occupations, we heard a voice crying out, to know if, we would send a boat for a passenger - it was Caro's Music Master, who, not finding Caro at home, had come on to join us, at Henri's request, and bringing with him, the guitar & violin he made himself very useful, in playing a singing - it was quite a diversion to our family party - we returned home at three o'clock, P.M. when, Caro took her Music lesson - this evening much rain & thunder - much fear about the crops - little hope entertained, of a good crop, anywhere - such continued every day rain - the sun comes out for a short time, then, rain again -

Henry & Alexander

Thursday 14th Augt This morning beautiful a fair,
after the rain, during the night - no rain,
to-day, for a wonder - the sun brilliant
and warm all day - it is now, to be
hoped, the rain, is over, for some time.
early, this morning, Henry and Alexander
left for Montreal - Basile drove them
to St John's - after taking an early breakfast
Mr Le Cure a Grobisher left for St Athanase
to spend the day - and to attend, the
concert, given at St John's, this evening,
by the "Celebres Montagnards" - their
programme, for this evening is very
beautiful - after dinner, Henry, Willy,
Caro & myself walked about the garden,
Henry went to see the beautiful show
of Grapes, we have this year - if, they
ripen properly, we shall have a great
quantity - the Melons are fine -
it is very cool, this evening —

Friday 15th Augt - beautiful a bright all day,
no rain - the roads have dried very much -
this morning Mr le Cure came back early, he
saw his Kraft, at the usual hour - fast-
returned with him - quite exhausted with
the concert - it went off beautifully, the Montagnards
~~sang~~ exceeded, still more, in their singing —

in the intervals, Fisher played the
Piano - as well, as some others,~~did~~
upon the Violin, they spent a most
pleasant evening - a bright moon -
but very cool for the season -

Saturday 16th Night rain during the night -
and a great deal of rain to-day - this
afternoon, particularly, rain by torrents -
what extraordinary weather, must
be regretted, surely, this busy time, of
harvesting - after breakfast Mr & Mr
went to St George as planned, this afternoon -
the roads are again, very muddy - what
a wet season! I have a head-ache -
Mrs & Mr went on a fish call, during
the night -

Sunday 17th Night Showery all day - the
sun, shone out now and then very hot,
after vespers, Mr & Mr left for the Athanase
to take the first train, to-morrow morning, en
route for Quebec - appearance of more
rain - thunder in the west - more
rain, during the night - Harry continues
to enjoy better health - my dear treasures
are in perfect health - I feel thankful, for it.

Monday 18th August - rain last night - this morning it was threatening, till the afternoon, when, such a heavy shower came on, so violent, and the drops of rain, so large, that nothing could protect one, from being drenched - it lasted, a short time, unfortunately, it was a perfect deluge - Mr. Jony - had just left, when it commenced to pour - Francis was in the field, he returned, in such a mess! Henni drove us off as he could, coming from the grand line - he did not escape the ducking - with a Job - went round by the bridge, returning from the post-office - and they never got a drop of it - the sun, came out, bright & beautiful after this inundation - Willy, Cora and Nadeau are ready packed up - to go to town, in the morning - Henni drives them - I fear, they will be disappointed - it looks like rain, again.

Harris, Wilby, Casso and Valentine - to town

Tuesday 19th August - This morning, most pleasant
delightful weather - a little cool - but still,
pleasant for travelling - Harris, Wilby, Casso
and Valentine, all left this morning at
1/2 past five o'clock for the posts, en route
for Montreal - they have had lovely
weather, to travel - this forenoon
a very strong south wind - whistle,
will, no doubt, bring on more rain -
it is not to be told, how very lonely I
have felt all day - such a blueline! every
thing so still, so silent; after luncheon
Widder asked me to drive down for
the mail, I accepted his offer, instantly,
any thing, to make a break, in
my lonely moments - until luncheon
I busied myself in the garret - but,
when, I came down - found, no
happy faces to greet me - I felt very
sad - one, more, long day, before
me - them, my treasures will be home -
I had not gone to the Falls, since two
years we returned by the Ridge - the walls
in the Ridge very good - in the Grand Line
awful, barbarous! This morning, Jerry and
his family arrived to live here - he, as
wash man, and his wife, as laundress -
very lonely, appearance rain - may it be
bright, on Thursday morning! Je m'en suis
totalement débrouillé - trying to think my own dear
- pretty -

Wednesday 20th August What awful weather! torrents
of rain, all day - incessant rain - what a
dull time of it, my dear children will have in
town - what a day, for me! I cannot
express my feelings - I am lost - unable,
even, to breathe fresh air - it is dreadful -
Frobisher kindly sat with me, to worry,
to read, and to bewail our loneliness - -

François, wrote in his room, the greatest
part of the day - I am lost - without my
children - my fear is, they will not be
able to travel to-morrow - the state of the
roads, will be awful, if, not, impassable -
am I, then, doomed, to spend another day
like this, of deep ennui? - Oh, it is horrid;
I have never felt so miserable -
no appearance of a change - it still continues
to rain - perfect autumnal weather - -

Thursday 21st August - What will become of
us; rain again by torrents, and
all night and all day; a perfect
deluge - the water very high - quite
a freshet - my own dear children
were prevented from coming home
to-day, by the incessant rain - I
received a letter from Henri, they are
all well - and enjoying themselves - my

only fear is, they may take cold,
to-morrow, returning home - What
roads they will have to come
through! They will be impossible -
how happy I will be to see them
arrive safe & well - God! grant they
may not be ill, after travelling in
such dreadful weather - so much
damp & cold - I feel anxious, until
their return - It is still raining to-night.

Friday 22nd Augt Thank God! it is pleasant and
fair to-day - my own dear children, will
return home this afternoon - now, I may
writhe my journal, and say - yes,
they returned at 4^a m^s six o'clock P. M -
such bright a beautiful - I cannot express
my happiness on seeing, my dear Billy,
and dear Carl, to my heart - I had felt
their absence, so much - that I was
overjoyed - to see them home again -
their is well - they have had as much
rain, in town, as we had here - the
roads awful - poor Packard, is fatigued -
I was so glad, to see all my people
back again - we're anxious for
Lunshon - he returned from Quebec, last
Wednesday - fearing to encounter a N.E. gale,

he prudently returned to Montreal immediately -
dear children, they are pleased and happy, to be
back, to their Forest home - they say, they
will not go, again - without, my being one
of the party -

Saturday 23rd Augt - This morning, pleasant, although
rather cloudy - but, still, we hoped, it would not
rain - about 10 o'clock a.m. Mr ~~Brooks~~ ^{Brooksbridge}
an engineer, employed by Government, came
to visit the awful work of the Grand Line,
so as to make his report to the head
quarters of the Board works - poor gentleman,
he got such a shaking! I fancy - he can
only speak the plain truth - a disgrace
to have left it, so long - without offering, at
least, an indemnification - he too the
lunchbox here - and left immediately
after - Herr Browne came, some distance,
in the Grand Line - his Carter - following -
it commenced to rain just as he left,
and has continued to do so ever since -
all appearance of rain, more rain and always
rain - is it not extraordinary, at this season -
the river very high -

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Sunday 24th Augt rain this morning, notwithstanding many people at Mass - it cleared up, it was fine a pleasant, at vespur time - a beautiful bright warm sun - Henri, Loto, Béilly and several of the young men went up in the steamboat, as far as George Whear's the river very high - it quite required, all the time'sexterity to steer, the boat, through such high water after dinner, all of a sudden, came on, a hurricane, accompanied of thunder and a heavy shower rain - it did not last very long -- we had a beautiful Mass - the altar was so brilliant a elegant - the new lamp, by le Curé brought from Quebec - is very handsome - it appears to great advantage in the centre of the choir / it is beautiful - - - -

Monday 25th Augt when shall I cease recording rain - it has again been showery all day - this morning early the weather stamp a threatening rain - the roads, very muddy - about midday, it commenced to rain - and kept on to be showery until this evening - it is really painful, to see, the state of the crops - so little of it, will be saved, without injury - it cold for the

season - perfect autumn weather - since the
2nd August - we have had rain, every day,
to the exception of two full days, every day,
and always a great deal of it - if it
it is fearful, to look around - and to see
what arises, may be anticipated, ^{during} the
coming winter - Edouard Urbain, brought
4 partridges to-day - the first, we have
seen, this season - he will go on a
sight call - to-day -

Wednesday 26th August - No rain to-day for a wonder,
the roads have dried - I rather fear, it is a
bad omen, to go by - more rain, shortly -
the farmers, are all as diligent, as possible,
in taking in, their crops - after breakfast
we left, Fred, and Billy went off on
a grand excursion, up the creek -
in the barge - they had a portage - they
had to walk, some distance - they
enjoyed their morning very much -
they returned about 2 o'clock P.M. - quite
fatigued - having had, but, a small bit
of eaten for their luncheon - it has been
cold all day - although, a bright sun - I
found it cold this morning, when, going to
church - it feels like autumn -
what a short, summer - we have had -
I have had 66 doz eggs salted to-day -

Wednesday 27th August More rain - this morning when I went to church, it was raining It continued to do so, till about nine o'clock A.M. when, it cleared up - the sun comes out -- the wind N. W. the house, fast. What a chilly - it was pleasanter outdoors, at one time - dear Cero coughed to-night she took a foot-bath - I hope she will be better, to-morrow --
It's fine, I wish a walk went up to George Wherry's in the barge - they had a delightful afternoon for their excursion - Cero and I took great pleasure, in going round the garden, to select pretty flowers - writing down these names, and pressing few of them - it was a nice amusement - they say appearance of more rain, for to-morrow - may we be spared -

Thursday 28th August - cloudy & threatening a part of the day, but, temperature, mild pleasant, the woods quite dry after the rain - early this morning Alvin left for town - he had a pleasant morning to travel - Miss Fitzgerald came in to remain till to-morrow - this evening rain by torrents - I caught a great deal -

Henry & James arrived

it fatigues me - Carol's cough, is better -

Friday 29th August rain all night - this morning
rain again by torrents - during luncheon
a perfect deluge - we never saw the
rain fall in such abundance - it was
fearful - loud thunder - after this
extraordinary shower - the sun came
out - and shone at every instant -
Henry & James arrived at six o'clock P.M. - although
the roads awful - they came in, early -
George Fitzgerald returned to Dunham this afternoon
a strong west wind - I hope it may clear
up the atmosphere - and be bright & fair
to-morrow.

Saturday 30th August cloudy this morning - bright
& beautiful this afternoon - delightful weather -
I took a long walk in the garden - the
woods have dried very much - Carol
still coughs a great deal - so do I - Henry
is well - the only thing, he complains of a
ear-ache now & then - it is very very cold,
to-night - not to say cold - appearance
of fine weather - a clear sky -

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Sunday 31st August - Fair a bright to-day -
a beautiful sunrise, all day - a great
many people at church - after dinner -
Mr. & Mrs. Lure left for the Ottawa en
route for St Hyacinthe "pour la Rétroite"
the roads have dried very much -
W. W. wind - very cool to-night -
it is to be hoped we shall have, no frost -
I have a headache - Caro's cough is better,
but, the cold in her head - annoys her -

Monday 1st September. This morning it was cold
too much so, for the season - the weather
was beautiful a bright all day - after
breakfast ~~was~~ ^{had} ~~had~~, Caro went out on
horseback accompanied by Fisher a
boy - they took a long ride of eleven miles
they returned in time for luncheon -
Mr. Young came, to give Caro her Music lesson -
the roads, are much improved - their
mail to Bedford - every one, are hurrying
to get in their crops, fearing rain again,
though ^a fine clear sky to-night
a bright sunset -

Tuesday 2nd September - lovely weather; what a
prosperity, after the wet month of August -
This evening at 7 o'clock, we heard a
carriage arrive at the door and who,
should it be, but, our dear Miss Yerkes
and the Mountenagh and Duding, with dear
Mervyn & Emma - we were so happy to
see them - I had not yet seen dear Duding
since her return from Europe - she is
looking remarkably well - joyous, jocund
and gentle - I hope we shall be able to
prevail on their spending some days
with us - Mervyn's cold is better, she
again took a long ride on horseback
to-day - lovely evening, a bright moon -

Wednesday 3rd left I am, so delighted at
the continuance, of the fair, bright, lovely
temper weather, the temperature so soft
and balmy - poor Henri is not well - I have
much fear he will have an attack of gout
shortly - Duding and I walked to Churke Land
about the grounds - I am so delighted to see
them - the heat is great - the Mosquitos
in my yards - I have never seen anything
like it - we are annoyed to a degree -
Mervyn rode on the Donkey - she likes him
very much - dear little Emma plays a

sings most sweetly - Henri whistles beautifully -
she is a dear child - a perfect linguist -
speaks four languages - fluently -
French, English, Italian & German - she
is the making of a clever woman -
lovely lovely weather -

Thursday 4th Sept poor Henri has the gout! he
spent a dreadful night ⁱⁿ a constant
paroxysm of pain - this morning he
took Cochineum and applied Collodion -
this afternoon, he was rather easier -
after Luncheon, Mr Perrault came out
with me to take a drive as far as Bedford -
Grolier came with us - Henri had
ordered, two horses - a Roupselle - they looked
well - but this horrid picard almost made
me die with fright - I shall never go
with him again - he is a vicious
animal - I amused myself very much,
by my frights and exclamations she
being led to tears - I was happy when I
reached home again - what an awful
beast! Henri is better to-night - very warm
all day - Mosquitos more numerous, than
ever - beautiful weather - quite summer -

James or Mr. Montezuma family returned

Friday 5th Sept. a continuation of lovely weather -
Henri is much better - he got up about
12 o'clock - we took luncheon at one o'clock
on account of our visitors, who were preparing
to leave this afternoon - they left at
5 o'clock P.M. Maxile drove them, Plante
drove James - I regretted they made
their visit so short - they were so
gay and amiable - previous to their
leaving, we all went to visit the
Lane Mill - Hungerford put one of the
gates in operation - it went admirably -
it is certainly a magnificent mill
Reverend Pere Pallier, arrived by the stage -
he comes to remain with us till Monday -
the heat was very great to-day - the
mosquitoes by swarms - it is a
very trying - Caro is fatigued to-night -

Saturday 6th Left a few drops rain this morning -
warm & cloudy all day - now & then a faint
glimpse of the sun - Henri continues better, he
went to the mill this afternoon - he feels his
shoulder a ache, still, rather stiff - upon the
whole, he is on the mend - God grant he may
enjoy better health - I heard our visitors, reached
the John's, at 1/2 past seven o'clock P.M. last evening -

it was good going having left this, at 5 o'clock -
with a carriage both very anxious to go to
town on Monday next - to see Mr Godard make
the wonderful suspension, in his Balloon,
"the Canard" — I hope the weather may
prove fine - what a disappointment, if, they
cannot go! —

Sunday 7th Sept Weather cool & cloudy this
morning - pleasant in the afternoon -
a great crowd at church this morning -
Reverend Pere made a most eloquent
sermon - Henri felt well enough to
go out, for a few moments - and this
evening he is laid up with a severe
attack of the gout in his foot - he took
Cathartesum till 5 o'clock P.M. - at seven, he
felt quite sick at the stomach - with some
exertions, he threw up slime - he then
took a cup of tea - which seemed to make
him perspire - and relieve him for the
present - we are all packed up, to go to
town in the morning - that is, I have
consented very reluctantly to go - it was entirely
for the sake of with a caro - that I exerted
my self to say, I would accompany them -
however, it is quite decided - if, Henri is not
very much better - I will certainly not go —

Montreal

Monday 8th left - rain all night - this morning it continued to rain, then, ceased, for a few moments - I then left for town with my children, Reverend Mr. Phillips & his wife - we had such awful rainy weather, before we reached St. Johns - and then roads! I would not, have gone - had I not, been compelled to do so - Stevie, having a slight attack of the gout, in his foot - he could not, take with a car to see Mr. Godard's wonderful affection in the Balloon - I had, to exert myself, and take them - the sun came out beautiful & bright when we reached Montreal - our friends at Beaverhall, were so happy to see us - gave us such an affectionate reception - Carl went with Mr. Renault, to witness the great fight - Willy, with Lucy & Harry - I drove with James to the Reservoir, where we saw the Balloon, ~~ascends~~ ascend most magnificently - I also enjoyed, a most beautiful view, of all the town & its environs - it is a perfect panorama - Lucy's Baby - is a beautiful child - James is so happy & comfortable, in his new abode - so very nicely furnished - my dear friend Fanny is so delighted to see me - weather most lovely - I hope Harry, continues, to improve & be much, very much better, when I left, this morning -

Tuesday 9th Sept continuation of lovely weather -
we dined at Mr & Monck's - Ciro was out
with Mr Perrault & Remond - they are all
kindness & attention. This evening, the
children, went to see the Large Panama,
hour of Europe. They returned delighted -
we went to hear Mass, at the Jesuits - this morning.

Wednesday 10th Sept most pleasant weather -
this morning, we went up to breakfast
at Mount-Sainte-Anne - we remained for luncheon
also - after which, Mrs Monck's carriage
came for me - I took the children to
the Reservoir - to enjoy, again, the beautiful
view - I then returned to Mr Perrault's, left
the children there, they were going to
Guillaumet's - to see the Gorstich Christ Show -
I am shopping - Willy & Ciro returned
in the evening from Mount-Sainte-Anne -
having dined there - I have a headache
to-night - we intend to leave to-morrow -
~~for Le Coq~~ arrived from Quebec - the
children feel so happy & pleased with
all the kindness & attention, shown to them -
how kind of Mrs Monck, to have sent me
her carriage -

Thursday 11th left rain, early this morning it cleared up - the weather fine & delightful the remainder the day - the children were so anxious to remain until to-morrow that, I have consented - I hear from Henri every day, he is now, quite well - we b'ore awaked from Ruses, this morning - he came up to see us - this afternoon, he kindly got his library a Willy is taken, together, in Daquency type - it is perfect - we all went round the mountain, what a pleasant drive - we stopped to visit the Montreal Cemetery Protestant, it is superbly laid out with so much taste, it is indeed, very well worth seeing - we all went to the Reservoir to see Mr Godard, a sound - for the second time - but, the wind, was so strong - he was obliged, to put off to another day - Willy & Theodore were in a nice happy - the whole afternoon they went sight seeing - it is very cool this evening I saw Mr & Mrs Anderson who came up to see James - they leave to-morrow for W-W - in full earnest, we leave, early in the morning -

Philmonton —

Friday 12th Sept. This morning at ~~ya~~ just five o'clock
the children & I left town, to return home
as of John's we took a Carter & came on
as fast as we could - the roads awful
barbarous - we were three hours coming -
We be arré expect, with us we left
train at ~~the~~ Athornase - I was happy &
delighted to find Henri looking so well -
they had expected us yesterday -
with a few are delighted to be home
again - we certainly, cannot forget,
the kind reception, we met, with
from all our friends - we be arré
returned this afternoon - it is cloudy,
threatening rain again - I am very
tired to-night —

Saturday 13th Sept. rain by torrents —
how much I rejoice, we came yesterday
it feels, over a chilly - perfect autumn
weather — Henri was obliged to go to
Bedford on business - notwithstanding
the rain —

Sunday 14th left beautiful & bright - a great many people at church - after services, Henri the children & I went in the steamboat further down - Spears - we enjoyed it very much - it is quite cool, to-night - the flowers in the garden - are so beautiful & brilliant - I hope, they may still, last some time - Very much fear the frost will soon, deprive us of making our usual, beautiful bouquets - Henri continues well -

Monday 15th This morning it was fine & pleasant - after breakfast, Henri left for Bedford to see the Cattle Show - Francis went also, with Anne him - Mr. & Mrs. L. left for St Athanase, en route for town - this afternoon, it rained by torrents, thunder & lightning - Henri returned, shaken with rain - Francis a kitty escaped it - I have been very busy - sitting, many little things, to night - I feel quite tired - rain - rain - what sounds; every where -

Tuesday 16th Sept Fair, but cool - feels like
Autumn - Billy shot, a win to-day -
Francis, shot, two woodcocks - a few days
ago - a glorious feat for the old gentleman.
Our blinds to the Mill, broke down
this afternoon, that is, one side, of it -
They have repaired it, immediately -
I walked to church this afternoon -
North wind - we all fear, it will
be cold & frost in the morning -

Wednesday 17th Sept rain again - always, rain
I had intended, to clean the stones & put
them up to-day - the bad weather prevented
me - Mr le Cure returned this morning
at 9 o'clock - he says the roads, are
becoming impassable - we had no frost
last night - this is autumn, in full
evident - Mr Jury came to-day, to give
Caro her Music lesson - the house feels
empty & chilly - Mr le Cure has brought
a very nice collection books, for the
Periodical Library - - Eleven Years to-day,
that, Mr le Cure, came, to La Malmaison, for
the first time -

Put up the stoves

Thursday 18th left cloudy weather - as warm
as a July day - what a pleasant change! we
had been frozing in the house - very thin,
felt damp and disagreeable - we took the
advantage of this warm bright sun -
to clean a put up all the stoves - I am
very tired, this evening, I have not a foot
to stand upon - I am delighted, this work
is over - Misericorde Aubin came to dinner
with Mr le Cure, he returned warmer
immediately after dinner - it ^{is} warm
and pleasant this evening - there are, yet,
Mosquitos -

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Friday 19th left rain a thunder, during the
night, this morning cloudy weather, quite
warm & pleasant - summer temperature -
windows & doors left open, all day -
Froisher arrived this forenoon, from
Montreal - he says, the roads are
awful, to a degree - appearance of
more fine weather - cloudy evening -

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Saturday 20th Sept pleasant, lovely, bright weather.
the gardens is yet beautiful - such
a great quantity of brilliant coloured
Dahlia's - all magnificent - we had a
Supper Banquet on the dinner Table
to day - such a wide collection - the
foliage is commencing to change its
colour - the variety is already very great -
so bright a vivid - Henri had got an
other horse for Corso having exchanged her
black one, for a light brown - I hope
it may answer - Henri continues free
from Gout, since a fortnight - God!
grant, he may continue so, for a very
long time -

Sunday 21st Sept continuation of bright pleasant
weather - a great many people at church -
the roads, now dried, and are very
passable - after vespers - we went in
the boat - we enjoyed our little excursion
very much - Misses Dupuis & Desorcy came
in time for dinner - they are too amiable,
such delightful society - so gay a pleasant -
we spent a pleasant evening - an family -

Monday 22nd left early this morning it rained - it cleared up about 8 o'clock a.m. after breakfast Mr. & Mrs. & Miss Francis Dufres left for Sutton - they are gone there on a Mission - at half past five, this morning I wished left for town - en route, for Tenby - before Devereux returned to his home, early this morning they say the roads are quite better in the grand line disagreeable weather to day - quite autumnal - cloudy - one feels, chilly - I made fire in the passage stone and in pine, to day - so as to drive away the damp feel, in the house - Francis & wife left this morning after breakfast, on a regular shooting excursion, they returned at four o'clock P.M. with a woodcock and a few other birds - much fatigued -

Tuesday 23rd left rain rain all day - the woods again, very bad - we find the heat of the stones, very uncomfortable - its being so damp & disagreeable, but, not cold - I have an awful head-ache - not, inclined to scribble - they have been sawing the wood - they are putting it in the woodshed - there are 60 cords - they brought me, 7 buckets freeze for the use of the house to stay -

Wednesday 24th left Raump & cloudy - autumn
 weather - this morning Pierre Huntelé
 our french cook, left for Montreal - we do
 not regret him - he was such a disagreeable
 person - and no artiste - the gardener
 brought in today - 84 lbs of beautiful grapes
 of Royal Muscadine - they are delicious -
 it is cold to-night - I fear the frost
 on account of my beautiful flowers -
 I have been very busy all day - I am
 quite tired to-night - Henri retired early -
 he complains of a slight pain, in his
 elbow - God grant, it may not be an
 attack of the gout - Mr Fungy, came to-day -

Thursday 25th Early this morning rain -
 it cleared up - ~~old~~ a bright - Mr Le Lure a
 Native Dupuis returned from their Mission
 at Sutton - they have returned satisfied, with
 the success, they met there - poor them is suffer-
 ing very much, from his elbow - it is
 much swollen a very red - ah! what a
 dreadful disease - is, the gout! Caro
 has been busy all day - putting away the
 ripe seeds - for an other year - the roads
 are very muddy Henry a publisher arrived this
 evening - the roads awful -

Friday 26th Left rain by torrents during the night -
and a heavy wind - It cleared up - the morning
was beautiful & mild - this afternoon there
was thunder and a very heavy shower - the
wounds awful - not cold - Henry is better -
he took coldchium this morning - he spent
a very bad night - suffered excruciatingly -
was high at the stomach - he was in a
most pitiable state - I felt thankful when
I saw him better - I hope he will have
a good night's rest -

Saturday 27th Left again, a great deal of rain
during the night - fair & pleasant this
morning, delightful temperature - after
breakfast - we be Lure, Francis, Henry, Rob,
and Will went in the Steamboat - up
the creek - they took their sunshoes
in route - having taken provisions
in a basket - in case of hunger -
Henry is better - although not well enough
to get up - his wrist has been very painful,
he took coldchium this morning - he feels
much better to-night - I hope he will have
a good sleep - it will, quite renewate him -
a beautiful starry sky -

Sunday 28th - left beautiful weather this morning - after the rain during the night - Henry is much better, he got up for luncheon, a great many people at church - this afternoon, the temperature was delicious - I have a headache - the flowers are still most beautiful a brilliant - the collection of Katherin's is magnificent -- --

Monday 29th - left most lovely weather delightful temperature - this afternoon it was very windy - poor Whisker has been suffering exceedingly from a car-ache - since two days - Henry continues to improve in health - he took Colchicum this morning, I hope for the last time - his thumb, well yet, painful & swollen - he went out in the yard - to - day - I sincerely hope and trust, he will soon enjoy perfect health -

Tuesday 30th Sept. It was not at all cold to-day
which is pleasant - this morning cloudy -
after mid-day, very showery - Fair
continues to improve - he did not venture
out, on account of the damp - after
breakfast, Mr. Le Cire, Henry, Theodore &
Willie went up the creek on a fishing
a shooting excursion - they returned at
6 o'clock - without having met, with
any success - They enjoyed their trip
much - Mr. Le Cire went on a sick
call, on his return - Strong wind
to-night - Fisher is still suffering
from the earache - he is in a fitful state.

Wednesday 1st October - Rain by torrents all
night and until this morning at 5 o'clock -
Tremendous boiling rain - every thing and
every where, quite flooded - the water very
high this morning - Hungerford has been
sailing since a day or two, that is, only, a
small commencement, before putting the
mill, in full operation - Fair was out to-day -
Fisher is much better - John, the gardener
left this morning, en route for the Hyacinth
to lay out the grounds, or rather, the flower

plots at the Bishop's Palace - a fine sun set
appearance of pleasant weather for
to-morrow - the temperature, always,
most delightful - no frost as yet
since winter, the above - it has commenced to
rain - by torrents.

a dreadful forecast -
Thursday 2nd Oct perfect autumnal weather
Cloudy & gloomy - a most fearful freshet -
such torrents of rain during the
night - - the Boon containing - the
small logs - gave way - and a way went
all the logs - they skipped over the
Cham - in no time - they have all
stopped - at the lower entrance of the Bay -
at Denton's - there - they are well secured -
Geni went down to Whitney's to - day -
the roads, awful - poor Lobisher spent
a most restless night - he continues to
suffer - no doubt, he has an abscess in
side of his ear - it has been rather
cold to - day - Mr. le Cure went to St George
to take luncheon - he returned for dinner -

Friday 3rd October. This morning it was cloudy
in the afternoon the sun came out
beautiful & bright - lovely temperature - this
afternoon Willy & Caro presented a magnificent
bouquet to their house - its being the eve of
national Fest St Francois d'Assise; it is Willy's,
also - I never saw a more superb bouquet
this season - Henri continues better - he
went out on horseback to-day - the woods
have dried - the water is still, very high -
a beautiful sun set - appearance fine
weather - not at all cold -

Saturday 4th Oct - most lovely weather all day -
the sun shone so warm & pleasant - the
woods, opposite the door, have dried, in no time -
early this morning - Henry & Theodore left
for St John's, en route, for Montreal - Basile drove
them - it seems the woods in the ground line
are awful, in fact, impassable - I dear
Caro received this morning - dear angel;
she is always so kind; so sweet; - Henri
rode out to-day - he is better - but, I find
him very thin - John Hardy returned
from St John's this afternoon - a splendid
sun set -

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Sunday 5th Oct. again, a lovely day - a bright sun - delightful a child - or of great many people at church - poor Whistler is again, suffering very much from the cough - he is much altered - I feel anxious - Uncle by word of mouth consult a medical man - He is well - free from pain, for the moment - Cen did not go to asylum she was not well - a lovely evening nor at all cooler -

Monday 6th Oct. this morning early it was cloudy - it had rained during the night - after Breakfast - Henn went to Bedford to preside at Monthly Meeting of the Council - it commenced to rain just as he left - he got a great deal of rain before reaching Bedford - the carriage had intended leaving for St Athanase before luncheon but, it found rain - he waited for a change of weather - which proved very favorable - about 2 o'clock P.M. it cleared up - was in a pleasant - he then left - he will take the first train in the morning en route for St Hyacinthe - poor Whistler passed a fearful night - he is looking very ill - he will not allow us to send

for Dr Wright - I hope James will come this week
to see him - Bear Caw complained of a
headache to-day - Henry is well - God
grant him health; he needs it very much -
this, being such a busy time, with him -

Tuesday <sup>7th Oct - a most beautiful bright day -
much cooler, than we had since some
time - but, without, very pleasant -</sup>

Whisher is very much better - he
had a good night's rest - which has quite
recovered him - he feels thankful, to be
free, from pain - Willy enjoyed his
coupe to-day - he rode a good deal
on horseback - Caw amused herself, with
a little music, reading and embroidery -
Whisher drew, the whole afternoon - he
imitated several pretty flowers, from nature -
Henry, as usual, always busy & active, when
his health permits him -

Wednesday <sup>8th Oct perfect lovely weather -
at 5 o'clock this morning - Henry left for
town - Contine drove him - I am busy
getting the fruit garden - altered - a part
of it to be prepared, for the cultivation of
melons - never summer - the soil being</sup>

better tilled - it was yet, delightful, to walk
in the garden to-day - the very
beautiful collection of Gilia's, is really
superb, the colours, so brilliant, so fresh -
and such an immense quantity of
them - it is a beautiful sight -
Freddie continues to improve in
health - again, appearance of fine
weather for to-morrow - I rejoice
at it - I expect Henni, home, to-morrow.

Henni returned

Thursday Oct a perfect summer's day -
bright, warm & lovely - Henni returned
from town this morning at 10 o'clock
the roads much drier, than yesterday,
but still very bad - after luncheon
I took a long walk in the Mounts - I
went to see Maine - I wish this
delightful weather would last, for
some time! I intend making many
improvements in the garden - if, the
season, will permit a glorious sun-set -
a warm day for to-morrow - may
be expected - a bright moon - so
soft & balmy is the breeze to-night, it
makes one feel like in summer -

Friday 10th Oct - Intensely hot all day - perfect summer temperature - all the doors & windows left open - blinds closed, to except the heat - extraordinary weather for the season - the sun so red, a hot, the winds dry, but very rough - Mr le Lorie returned to-day - he crossed over to St Athanase yesterday - I suffered from the heat, this afternoon when going to church - the park like looks beautiful - all surrounded, with such lovely variegated foliage - the flowers still so fragrant & bright - the Daffodils are really superb - and in such a great quantity -

lovely evening -

Saturday 11th Oct - a continuation of fine weather - not so warm as yesterday - a strong wind from the S.W - withal, a lovely temperature - poor J. Whicker is again suffering from the earache - after having experienced in grand misere - there is well - active, as usual - the law. will goes beautifully - the New-van answers admirably - I enjoyed my walk in the garden - the roses all in bloom and the beautiful daffodils - so bright - a lovely moonlight -

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Sunday 12th Oct beautiful bright weather
much cooler than yesterday — a
beautiful clear day the roads, dusty
in some places — a great many
people at church — after vespers,
Mr le Cure, Henniball went in the
boat as far as Quebec — Mesire H. Aubain
came to dine with Mr le Cure, a returned
to his home in the evening — Henni is
preparing to leave, for a number days —
I can not think of it — it quite upsets me —
Froshier, has rallied this morning —
this evening — he again suffers —

Monday 13th Oct Henni has the gout in the
knee — Dr Brigham came up to see
him & to give a certificate, of his being
unable to attend as a grand juror —
he is rather better to night —
Weather, cloudy a threatening to — day —
This evening, it has cleared up — a
beautiful bright moon, but, whd. —
Froshier still continues unwell —
Mesire Fitzgerald came down from
Dunham this afternoon — he remains
until to-morrow —

Thursday 14th Oct - very cold - N. E. wind - bright
a fair - but so cold! it feels like winter -
Henni passed a very restless night - he is
rather better this morning - this morning
early Henni sent our Miller to town - to take
Dr. Kigham's Certificate - I had intended
running in to town for a few moments -
but, finding Henni, still, suffering - I gave
it up - I wished it better to-day -

Cold - cold - I fear, all the pretty flowers
~~were blighted~~, ^{also} ~~withered~~ a gone, in the
morning, no doubt, it will freeze -

Wednesday 15th Oct very cold last night,
and this morning ^{all}, ~~the flowers gone~~,
they were blighted by a severe frost.
Last night - it looks so dismal, so triste,
to see, all, those pretty flowers, nipped a
~~withered to blossom~~, no more, this year -
Henni passed a bad night - very restless,
much agitated, constant haussa - he
is much better to-night - he has taken
coldchium again, this morning - I hope
he will, now, be soon over, this attack -
beautiful bright sun - roads very dry -
a glorious sun set - a bright moon -
appearance of fine weather - but very cold -

Thursday 16th Oct beautiful weather, not as cold, as yesterday - a bright sun - Henri is better - he had a good night's rest - I hope he will continue to improve — after breakfast Francis & Willy left to go to Lwantou - they returned at five o'clock P.M. much pleased with their dives — they took luncheon at Highgate Springs — they brought very nice fish, from the Bay — poor Jobisher suffers to-night — it is really sad, to see him suffer so constantly — I have some idea of going to town to-morrow for a short time — on business —

Jobisher left it

Friday 17th Oct most lovely weather — such a delightful temperature — Henri was not well enough, for me to leave this morning — he complained of an uneasiness about his chest — he is much better to-night — although his throat, is still, still, much swollen — I hope he will have a good night's rest — God grant it — dear Jobisher left this afternoon for town — I felt sorry to see him go, but, still, it was advisable, he should do so — he continues to suffer, from his ear-ache — I am anxious to hear of

his safe arrival - L. Couture drove him - the
wounds, are much improved -

Saturday 18th Oct poor Henri spent an awful
night, I do not remember, to have ever seen
him, suffer, such acute pain - he is
better to night, although, not quite free,
from pain - his knee, is very much swollen -
so stiff, that he cannot move it - if, he
would only have a good night's sleep -
this morning it rained - cleared up in the afternoon -
rather cooler than yesterday - with ~~plenty~~ chess
with his Uncle - he is learning the game, very
much, he likes - Caro has also commenced to
gown - -

Sunday 19th Oct rain in the morning - cloudy
then up to disagreeable, remainder of the day -
Henri is better - still keeps his bed - his knee
not so painful - notwithstanding the bad weather -
a great many people at church - I have
a hand-ache - Caro complains of a pain
in her wrist a hand -

Francis in write for Leclerc

Monday 20th Oct This morning early Francis left for the station to take the first train - France drove him - weather mild, but a heavy fog - Henri much better, although he has not yet got up from his bed - there is to-day nine days - he keeps his bed - it has been a very severe attack - his knee, is still painful, when he stir it - he hopes, to be able to get as far, as the Bondoir to-morrow to lie there, on the sofa - for a change - he is very thin - much altered - the temperature to-day has been most delightful - not, at all cold - the weather, was finding time - the sun keeping out, with its genial warmth - making it so pleasant - I rejoice at this weather, particularly on account of Francis, I hope it will hold out fair, until, his return -

Tuesday 21st Oct a foggy morning - cloudy & smoky like weather, all day - Henri is much better, he got up, and spent a few hours, on the sofa in the Bondoir - this morning - my dear Niece Louise McPherson, was married - dear girl! may she be happy & prosperous in the new state, she has embraced - the roads are dry and good - water, low - very cloudy to-night - I hope we shall hear from Francis, to-morrow - poor Fisher, suffers

very much, from his ear - I received a note, from him to-day -

Wednesday 22nd Oct rain all night - and again, this morning - rain in earnest - when the rain did cease - it was intensely foggy, all day - so dark & gloomy - a scotche ~~witt~~ all the afternoon - nothing could be more disagreeable, than this weather & temperature - Henri got up, took an early dinner, whilst, others, took luncheon he is not yet free, from pain - his knee is still very stiff - he can only limp from his room to the parlour - a very dense ~~dark~~ night - Madeline left this afternoon for St John's, France drove her -

Thursday 23rd Oct - this morning cloudy - a few particles of snow fell - the temperature became quite cold - the sun came out, fair & bright - it will freeze hard, to-night - Madeline returned from St John's this evening - the roads bad - we expect Francis home to-morrow - Henri still suffers from his gouty knee, although, he went about the house to-day - he continues to take colchicin, in small doses - Willy went to the Bay for fish - he is tired to-night -

The mill in full operation - Francis returned home.

Friday 24th Oct Beautiful bright weather - very cold - the mud all frozen up - Henry much better - although weak & languid he still limps - Francis arrived this morning at 11 o'clock - we were all happy to see him home again - he feels rather fatigued after so much going about - he says the wedding was brilliant - every thing went off in great style - he brought us a large piece of the wedding cake - Francis says, he is happy to be back to his own home - and to his usual quiet habits - beautiful clear weather - but very cold - I visited the saw mill - in full operation for the first time to-day - it is a magnificent mill, and goes splendidly —

Saturday 25th Oct - This morning it was very cold -
weather bright & fair - the panes of window
in church, were quite frozen - unable to see
through - Fair is much better - but,
looking very much altered, and so thin!
God grant, he may soon valley and become
strong and rigged - my dear children, are
quite well - Billy is quite a big boy - the
Law Mill - goes splendidly, although, not
much water, in the pond - Francis writes
me, he is very anxious about, poor
dear Lobister - Dear boy, he is very ill -
very nervous - I feel exceedingly anxious -
about - if, the weather, prove fine, I will go
to see him on Monday -

Sunday 26th Oct a great many people at church -
cloudy weather - fair a bright - delightful
temperature - Fair continues to improve, slowly -
Francis has a slight cold - Miffie St Aubin
comes to dine with us he ~~comes~~ returned to his
home immediately after dinner - I have
pushed up my traps - to go to Montreal, early,
in the morning - wind a weather permitting -
appearance of fine weather -

Montreal

Monday 27th Oct. Fair & bright - cloudy weather - I left early this morning, en route for Montreal. ~~Contine~~, Avenue du Bois-Joliens, the wood, very good and dry - to the exception of many holes, but, they will be avoided - I reached town a few minutes after ten - I found Revd. G. Whistler, very much better, he was so happy to see me, he was affected, to tears on seeing me enter his room - I called to see my Miss Mr. R. Masson I gave her a handkerchief - a beautiful Papier Maché, writing, Nelson - she liked it very much - she is, to comfortably settled - she showed me, the different Odeons, she received from her friends, on her marriage day - they are all splendid - bracelets, broaches pins - all de bon goût - Katie is so pretty, a lovely spit - I will fulfill my last visit - tomorrow —

Tuesday 28th Oct rain during the night & high wind - this morning it cleared up - bright & pleasant - I was out in the Cab all day I am quite tired - Whistler continual to improve - my Miss, the Bride, Nanette, & another woman Southwick dined here - a very handsome

dinner - I am quite pleased with our Venice
Mr Mapou - he is well informed - a fine young
man - I have pushed up, to-night - I intend
to leave early in the morning - I hope, it
will be fine & bright -

Malmison

Wednesday 29th Oct - Windy, but still, bright
a fair - reached home, at a $\frac{1}{4}$ past 10 o'clock
A.M. - the winds very bad - I found them
still improving, although he has not yet,
break out - my dear treasures, in perfect
health - Mr le Lire complains of Rheumatic
pains - I am so fatigued, from my journey,
that I can hardly stand - I am quite done
up - I will retire early - the saw mill
is stopped, water too low - for bottle mills -
What a fine open season; - it looks
like rain -

Thursday 30th Oct rain in the night &
again this morning - it cleared up for a
short time - and then rain again - all the
afternoon Mr le Lire went to St George to take
luncheon, he returned for dinner - I have been
very busy - arranging cupboards, & my Apotheary -

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Lindsay 31st Oct Frost last night - than in
the course of the day - snow this afternoon -
Cloudy, this evening - Snow better, but still
does not venture out - he feels still gouty -
John is getting on very nicely, with the
autumnal work, in the garden -
Stangerford not yet returned - the saw-mill
or a stand still - Water low - winds,
very bad - I received a kind affectionate
letter from dear Rob - this afternoon - he
continues to improve in health - it is what
a chilly to-night -

Saturday 1st November - cold disagreeable
weather - a great many people at church -
a great number of communions - such
a strong piercing S. W. wind! - it was
cloudy, damp a chilly - this afternoon,
a little snow a then hail - Snow is not
well - his knee - is again painful - he
took Whetrum this morning - dark &
cloudy to-night -

Sunday 2nd Nbr - cloudy in the morning - rain
in the afternoon - a very great many people
at church - a great many Received - it was
very edifying - Tom is not, very well, he has
been suffering, from his hence - he applied Iodine
a collodion, which he finds, it has done him
some good - Caro has been complaining of a
head-ache - she did not, go to vespers -
Mr. Le Cure has been busy at the vestry, hearing
Confessions - for a number of hours - since
Friday - he has been at the confessional every
afternoon - he still suffers, from rheumatic
pains - it is very damp & disagreeable this
evening -

Monday 3rd Nbr - rain, chill, disagreeable
weather - very mild - the roads exceedingly
muddy - the water, very low - a great many
people at church - and again, a great many
communicants - What a very solemn,
afflicting ceremony, the church - all in
black, every thing calling to one's mind,
the departed - I was quite upset, I cannot
say ~~but~~ all I felt - Dearest dear Mother!
if - possible, I still long, more, to her
memory - than I do, easily now - I prayed
fervently - may, my humble prayers, have
been heard and accepted - poor Stein

is rather better, he was obliged to go to Bedford -
its being, the first Monday of the Month -
to preside as Mayor - he went in the
Cat-perry drove him - he did not
remain there, long - the wound very bad -
Hungerford returned to-day - a very
dark night - appearance rain -

Tuesday ^{4th October} very mild - no rain -
Cloudy - Henry complains of a ear-ache -
his Knee - is less painful - but, his ear
annoys him very much - what a
delightful open season - water low -
only a part of the Laws in operation -
a pleasant evening - appearance of fine
weather -

Wednesday ^{5th October} it blew a perfect hurricane
all day - a strong, cold west wind -
poor Henry has been suffering all day, from
his knee - to that degree, that he was
obliged to go to bed before dinner - his
ear-ache, also annoys him very much -
it makes me anxious - I wish, I could
see Dr Campbell - if it ~~is~~ possible, I will
go again, to consult him - dear Caro has

had an awful nervous head-ache this morning,
it was pitiful to see her suffer - dear child;
she feels a little better, at this moment - poor
Henri; I fear, he will have a bad night -
it continues to blow very much, this evening
it will be very cold, in the morning —

Thursday the 10th after my walk this morning, 70 degrees -
beautiful & bright - Henri kept his bed,
all day - he took colchicum - his knee
very stiff & painful - his ear, this evening,
~~the~~ rather painful - he applied, a small
limasine - God, grant he may soon
regain strength & be able, to renew, his
usual occupations - Coro is well to-day -
he walked out with me - Missie St Ambain
came to take luncheon, with the Cure -
he returned home in the afternoon —
The Law Mill is in full operation - water
good —

Friday the 11th after hard frost, last night -
weather fine & pleasant - Henri got up this
afternoon & remained ^{up} till after dinner - he
still suffers from his knee - it is red & swollen
he cannot yet, ^{the} painful part, to perspire - he
limps, he cannot stand, on that leg - his
ear, is well - what a very long attack, this

has been - the new mill goes, admirably -
does good business - cloudy this evening,
appearance of rain - Francis is getting all
the grain threshed -

Saturday the 10th This morning bright, very
windy, and exceedingly cold - this
afternoon, it blew a fearful hurricane -
and rain by torrents - the wind awful -
Henry, much better, he took cold cream, again,
this morning, notwithstanding he feels better -
he got up after luncheon - he still limps -
Dear Laro left off, her mourning - this morning -
it is raining to-night - not at all cold -
a strong S.E. wind -

Sunday the 11th This morning it was rather
cloudy & blew up - bright & cold - Henry
much better, still, not well enough to go
out - there is to-day four long weeks that
he is laid up with gout - after teas -
~~we~~ ^{He} left for St Athanase, en route for Montreal -
he will take the first train, in the morning -
Francis drove him to St Athanase - he will cross
over to Montreal, to bring ^{back} several passengers

for us - the winds are bad - a great many people
at church - a beautiful clear sky, this evening,
appearance of a bright day, for to-morrow -

Monday 10th October lovely weather, so clear & bright,
but cold - the sun was out all day - a very
hard frost last night - Henry continues to
improve in health - he intended to go out
to-day - but, finding it too cold - he has put off,
for a day or two - I laid down, a pretty new
carpet, in my boudoir - this morning - made
a rame - meringue, every where, previous to
the putting up of the double lashes - Willy &
Caro enjoyed themselves, this afternoon, riding and
driving in the park - they also, went in their
canoe - there was a great deal of ice, in
the bottom of it, but, they did not mind it -
they returned delighted, with their excursion -
water high - the lake full - goes beautifully -
a beautiful clear sky, to-night - no mist
this afternoon -

put up the double latches

Tuesday 11th Webster Fair a pleasant to - day - very
hard frost last night - Stein walked as
far as the Mill, to - day - he is altered - he
looks weak & languid - the double latches
were put up, this afternoon - the house
is warm, clean & comfortable - the out
side doors, were also put up - This
morning Willy went to the Bay, with
Hungerford - to purchase a waggon from
Whitney - the roads, in the grand line, are
awful - cloudy, ~~in~~ this evening - I am
fatigued - I have been so busy since a
couple days -

Wednesday 12th Webster - Mild all day - cloudy -
Stein drove out to - day - he went as far
as Whitney's - he brought a new waggon -
Willy accompanied his Father every where -
I have packed up, Stein a Willy's traps,
they intend - going to town, early in the
morning - wind & weather, permitting -
Stein walks out, a great deal to - day -
I hope, he did not take cold - he is
much altered - he requires to pick up -

Thursday 13th October most lovely weather - early this morning Fluri & Willy left for 41 points on route for Montreal - Ferguson went with them Fluri drove himself, the black horse and carriage on the new green wagon - they will have reached Montreal early - they will have witnessed all the grand affairs - going on since yesterday in honour of the celebration of the Grand Trunk Railways - it is a series of fêtes - Mr le Cure returned home - in time for luncheon - Caro went to take a long walk, with Nadeau - despite Fitzgerald's carry in time for dinner - he remains until to-morrow - Mr le Cure brought some delicious Oysters - quite a treat - also most excellent Isabella grapes - quite a delicious variety - if his air favourable - a lovely evening - I hope, it will continue to be fine weather, at least, until Fluri's return.

Friday 14th Robt very cold a strong seabk
this morning - the sun came out, for
a few moments, this afternoon -
but cold - after breakfast, before Lithgow
returned home - we le Cire went to
St George, returned at 3 o'clock -
a short time before dinner Reverend Pere
Garin, arrived - we were truly happy to see
him - he came by Swanton, as he
was returning from Burlington -
we hope to prevail on him, to remain
with us, until Sunday afternoon -
he leaves on the 22nd inst for France -
he intends to return in March - I sincerely
hope, Henri will have no rain, to come
home to-morrow - my dear Willy! I
miss him, very much -

Henri & Willy returned -

Saturday 15th Robt most beautiful bright day
but cold - ice in the river, this morning -
after luncheon Reverend Pere Garin left for
St John's - France drove him - I regretted
to see him go, so soon - at 5 o'clock P. M -
Henri & Willy returned from town - both
quite well - having had pleasant, dry,
weather, since they left home - the
roads in the Grand Ligne awfully bad -
Saw mill - goes admirably - lonely evening

a beautiful starry sky - a bright moon —
what a fine autumn! Francis, says, that
there will be no more ploughing, this season —
all the work, finished in the garden —
discharged, Malvern — to-day. — Cora and I took
a long walk, this afternoon —

Sunday 16th October fine clear weather - not very
cold — the roads good — to the exception of the
grand' lignes — a great many people at church —
after vespers — I went with Willy & Caw to take
a long walk — we enjoyed it very much —
a beautiful bright sun & pleasant temperature —
Harr is well, he came to grand' mense —
appearance of more fine weather —

Monday 17th October cloudy, cold & disagreeable —
after breakfast, went to Bedford — to preside
at the meeting — for or against, the Macadamizing
of the grand' ligne — the boys, had it, their own
way — our poor ignorant, headstrong
habitants, allowed themselves to be advised
by a stranger, to them, instead, of putting
all their confidences, in a man — who has

so much befriended them - since, many years - they will, one day - repent, ^{for} ~~for~~
their folly — Henri is not well to-night
he feels a gouty pain in the shoulder
a slight pain, also, in the foot —
God grant, he may not, be laid up
again — it snowed, this afternoon —
there are no more logs at the Mill —
Henri, is not of opinion to bring any
more, down — much ice — in the
wind —

Tuesday 18th, ~~October~~ quite winter this morning,
~~old~~ ~~and~~ ~~the~~ ground, ~~thinly~~ covered over
with snow — poor Henri has been in
great pain, all day — the pain, exists
particularly, on the collar bone — his
bone, is again, painful — what a
martyr; I feel so anxious, to see him,
in such a suffering state — it is
really heart rending — God grant, he
may be not of the pain, about his
shoulder a collar bone, in the morning —
I cannot say how sad, I feel —
what, would I give to have a good
physician near me —
they have put away the rooms — no

more Loving - to the exception, of a little Customer
Loving -

Wednesday, 19th November - Cloudy & disagreeable -
there is, yet, a little snow, on the ground -
poor Stein passed an awful night -
he suffered excruciatingly from his collar bone,
his shoulder, even in his ear, his poor head
was also painful - I felt very uneasy - and
very miserable, to see him, in such a state,
of suffering - ah! what a cruel malady - is
that - Dreadful pain; he is rather better,
this evening - I hope he will have a good
night's rest - Mr Le Cure left this afternoon
for St Athanase, en route for town - he will
take the early train ^{in the morning} & as has gone kindly,
gone to Montreal for us - having several
messages to make for us - there is ^a appear-
ance of fine weather - for to-morrow -
I sincerely hope, it will be fair & bright -

Thursday 20th November beautiful & bright, all day, most lovely weather - not very cold - Stein passed a better night - his neck a shoulder much better - the pain is altogether, in the knee - I sincerely hope, he will, now, continue to improve - after breakfast with a caro went out on horseback - the roads beautiful they enjoyed their ride, very much -

Mesme ~~st~~ Arabin came to take luncheon with Mr le Cure, he was much surprised, to hear, of his being gone to Montreal - he left in the afternoon to return home - with a caro finding the weather so pleasant went out driving - they returned delighted - I went out to walk, caro came with me - after having accompanied me - she went with her brother canoeing - they had a full day, of various amusements -

Much to our ~~st~~ surprise and delight, who, should we see arrive, but Mr le Cure - who, having been, very expeditious - got through all he had to do - and crossed over at 12 o'clock - reached home - at

5 o'clock P.M. - a short and most expeditious voyage - brought a phial from Dr Campbell - even, had the prudence of bringing delicious grapes a short time - Stein does not feel so well, this evening - he is a little feverish a rattles - I fear he will not have a good night's rest - God grant him health -

Friday 21st October This morning it was cloudy - in the afternoon it cleared up, bright & beautiful, the sun came out so brilliant - it was delightful - Henry is much better - he slept from 10 o'clock until four A.M. his knee is much less painful - Wehause's Colchicum - proves very beneficial - after breakfast, Mr. Le Cure went to St. George - returned at 3 o'clock P.M. - the roads, in that direction, very fine - appearance, of more mild weather - with a car went out, in their cause, this afternoon - I feel so thankful, to see poor Henry, much better - may be continue to improve in health -

Law - will surely - for the London

Saturday 22nd October rain by torrents all night - not at all cold - cloudy & rainy this morning - this, rain, has spoilt the roads - they have been washed, by the heavy rain - the ice over the dam - is not gone - it is only, the thickness of a couple inches - Grist Mill doing well - Henry very much better - he got up and took luncheon, with us - he awoke at yr just five o'clock - to the his tea - in his bed - I am overjoyed to see him, so much improving in health - Wehause's Colchicum - is a valuable medicine - very mild, this morning - Theodore arrived this morning by the stage - it was 9 o'clock - when he passed

Sunday 23rd November. Mild weather - the walls
awful - the frost out of the ground - a
great many people at church - Henry continues
to improve in health - he breakfasted, with
us this morning - he is attended this afternoon,
it was very damp & disagreeable - appearance
of rain - it looks like a thaw -

Monday 24th November - It rained during the
night - cloudy & very mild all day - it was
a springy temperature - the sounds are awful
every where - Henry was very ill, during
the night - on a fearful hoarseness & cough
he bathed his feet - put on mustard plasters
at different periods, so, as to abate the
inflammation - I felt very uneasy, to see
him in such a state - thank God! he is
now very much better - what a night! I
describ'd anxiety, I experienced - it was a kind
of a grippe - he had I hope he will have a
good night's rest - the river, is free, from
ice - appearance of more rain -
no appearance, of winter - thus far -

Tuesday 25th November. Cloudy & damp all day -
Steini continues to improve in health - he got
up for luncheon - he passed a good night -
Mr Laviollete came here to day on business -
Theodore left, by the stage - he is to remain
at St. Johns until morning - he has taken in -
Fowler's Mare - very mild weather -
Willy & Curv went in their canoe, this
morning - dear Curv is not very well, she
was indisposed during the night, having eaten
something which disagreed with her -

Wednesday 26th Poor rain rain a very high wind
from the south - very cold, this morning -
Steini sometimes to be very much better - he
got up for breakfast - the winds awful -
Francis is getting the ditches renade - a
work, very much needed - water high -
the grist mill, well employed - appearance of
a change of weather - very sign, seems
to indicate cold -

Thursday 27th October. COLD & dry this morning,
this forenoon it commenced to snow, soft,
rain - quite sleety weather - very disagreeable -
it continued to be very heat - Steini not

~~Willy - partridge~~

as well as yesterday - this evening, it is blowing a perfect hurricane - - -
~~Quater night~~ woods awful - - -
Dear Willy was most fortunate to day, he went out for a short time, partridge shooting & he returned with a brace - he was so delighted - after breakfast - previous to the change of weather - Willy & Caro rode in the farm - they enjoyed their ride - - -

~~Friday~~

Friday 28th Novbr. cold & bright all day - had front last night - Hain much better to day - dear Willy, was again successful, he killed another partridge this afternoon - a glorious sun set - appearance of fine weather - but very cold - the river, is, yet, free from ice -

~~Winter~~

Saturday 29th Novbr cold & cloudy this morning - in the afternoon it commenced to snow in full earnest, if it continues to snow all night, as it does at present, there will be good winter woods, in the morning - Hain is much the same - he would have gone out, to day, but, fearing, the dump,

he has put it off until to-morrow - dear will
kill another pasture this afternoon - since
three days - this is the fourth, he brings home -
a slight covering of ice, on the pond -
commenced to fall, the back of my chair what a wosh!

Sunday 30th Robt winter winter, in full earnest -
winter roads - although, not yet, very good
still, a number of flights at the church door -
Henri a car, drove in the sligh, to Mass -
it has continued to snow, all day - all
appearance, of good roads, for to-morrow -
after vespers - the singers, practised a number
of Canticles & the Missal Royal - for Christmas -
Caro has a slight sore throat - she did not
go to vespers - I felt so happy to see them
go to Mass - Francis had a cold -
it looks like Influenza -

Monday 1st December - This morning, most
beautiful, bright, cold winter weather -
the sun, was out, so brilliant - the ground
well covered, with snow - but, still, not
enough, to make good roads - the hob
are, still, very much fast - Henri went to
Bedford to reside, the Municipal Court -
it has been cloudy this whole afternoon -
it looks, like snow - so much the better -

ice, all over the ground - Boys, skating on
the borders - 12 degrees cold - this morning -
a cow, calved, this afternoon -

Tuesday 2nd December - This morning cloudy,
appearance of snow - but, still, none fell -
there are no roads - neither for the
slights or waggon - the houses, are so
visible - Henry is not very well - a slight
pain, in his foot - God, grant - it may
wear away - without its being an attack of
the gout - this afternoon he le Cire went
to the Bay, on a sick call - the
grist mill - owing good business -

Wednesday 3rd Dec - a heavy fall of snow, which
makes capital winter roads - we all rejoice
at it - Henry drove down to the Falls, in his
slight, this afternoon - then took the cobarium
this morning - in order to arrest, the gout, in
his foot - he got up as usual - a goes about
the house - but, does not venture out -
he le Cire went on a sick call - -- -
it continues to snow, in full earnest -
it is not colder - Francis has had all this

fences, put down - to avoid an accumulation of
know -

Thursday <sup>4th See - very cold, boisterous weather -
strong wind - from the west - a great gale -
a truly bitter January day - so piercing cold -
Henry is not well - he has a sore nose & a
swollen cheek - I hope it is only rheumatic -
to-night, he says, he feels gouty, all over -
Poor Marystre! my dear Willy was sixteen
to-day - God! grant him every blessing - and
may he always walk in the path of virtue
Fribus, kind a just - dear boy! may he escape
the many evils, of this wicked world -
Dear Cane had a head-ache, which prevented
her, of running herself over her Brother's birth day -
Miss St Aubin took luncheon & dinner, with
us, he returned home this evening - Weather
still, cold & windy - Cane presented her Brother,
with a very handsome cash-tie - in crochet,
of her own, handy-work - it is very pretty -</sup>

Friday 5th Dec - This morning ~~was~~ a boisterous -
it rained & became less cold - the ~~pondée~~
ceased, in the afternoon, the sun, came
out bright & beautiful, but very cold -
Henry still suffers, from a pain in his face
occasionally, by his sore nose - it seems, it is
a bite, inside of his nose - which, is exceedingly
painful - his gouty foot - is very much
better - dear Cello has been suffering from
a severe head-ache, since two days -.
I sent her out, driving, this afternoon, with
her brother, with the hope, she would feel
some relief - she is not, much better
this evening - it is a nervous head-ache -
dear child, I hope & trust, after a good
night's rest, she will be bright & well.
in the morning - a letter, from T. Fisher,
to-day - tells me, there is a great deal
of ice in the river - very little, of the
~~St~~ Lawrence, taking, early - this year -
it looks, like more, now -

Saturday ⁵/_{Dec.} Weather much milder, roads
good - Henri still suffers, from his wratten
feet. - It makes him nervous - Willy & I
enjoyed a pleasant drive to the Falls - We
went to take luncheon with Missie M' Aubin -
We returned at 2 o'clock - I am tired - I have
been very busy all day - setting many things
to rights both, in, and out doors - Dear Willy
received this morning - Dear Boy - may he
always be pious and regular, in his religious
duties -

Sunday ⁶/_{Dec.} - Cloudy & cool - roads - good
a great many people at church - ~~Stomach~~, rather
better - although, not quite free from pain, in
his face & nose - a singular indisposition this
time - I find it cold - I am froid now;
I have a head-ache - not, inclined, to
scribble - I played the organ afternoon
this afternoon at vespers - I am becoming
as blind, as a bat -

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Monday ^{8th Dec - The grand feast of the "Conception of the blessed virgin Mary" - a great many people at Churcell - a beautiful bright winter's day - 10 degrees cold, in the morning - Henry is decidedly better - I have all hopes, of seeing him, going about, this week, as usual & there ~~will be~~, eight days, to-day he has not, been out - after vespers - we be cure left for St Athanase - the roads, are capital - the stage coaches, our way, since, the winter roads are good - a passenger, said, this afternoon - that the ferry boats - were gone to their winter quarters to-day - the crossing in the canoe's - very good - a lovely moon - a cold night -}

Tuesday ^{9th Dec - a delightful day - not very cold, a most pleasant winter's day - the roads - very good - quite an event, for me, I drove as far as Whitby, this afternoon dear Willy drove me a car, with his very handsome mare - she goes admirably well - I enjoyed my drive very much - Henry continues to improve, daily - we be cure returned from St Athanase - about four o'clock he brought, some nice oysters, in the shell - lovely evening, a bright moon -}

Wednesday 10th Dec - a perfect lovely day - the sun out & William a beautiful - Henri this morning, felt a pain in his back - he said he thought it was, in tour de rein - however, after breakfast he left for Bedford to attend the Mayors court as warden - he returned at 4 o'clock - still suffering - to-night he is better, he has taken a Wou's powder Mr Jones came to - day to give Currier Musie Sypon he had not, come for some time - the winds, very good - This morning, it was very cold - 16¹/₂ degrees - such a beautiful bright moon; it is as clear, out doors, as, late mid - day -

Thursday 11th Dec - This morning the weather was most delightful - about 10 o'clock - quite a change - it commenced to snow then to rain a strong wind, from the south - rain again to - night - very nisl - it looks like a thaw - Henri is better - although, he still feels a pain his back - he calls it, a lumbago - I hope there is no gout in what he experiences - Henri sent Capsey to - town he left this evening for the post office - to take the first train, in the morning - navigation suspended for the season

More Duke still played when we're old.

Friday 12 Dec - Rain last night, by torrents. —
This morning all, the snow, had disappeared.
our winter roads, done up — no way of
travelling but on wheels — it ~~had~~ has been
perfect spring weather, all day — South wind —
the platforms, like in summer — a
great thaw — the ice on the pond —
covered over, with water — if, it froze
what beautiful, skating — there will be —
Henri has suffered to-day — no doubt, it is
the gout in his back — if, he is not, better
to-morrow, he will take Celestium —
Dear Caro has had a most fearful
head-ache — all day — I have never seen her
suffer such acute pain — I was quite
upset, to see her, in such a state —
She has gone to bed, a feels, a little better —
you; grant she may have a good
night's rest — I made ^{her} take a blue pill —
the Fondue, still runs — the "Herald"
gave a wrong statement — he apologized —
to-day —

Saturday 13 Dec — rather colder than yesterday —
It did not thaw to-day — the wind, from the
north — Henri feels gouty — he took Celestium
how sad — to see him, so continually — ailing —
poor Henri! what, an autumn, he has had, of it —
not a week — without, some gouty pain or

other - it is such a cruel headache — dear Caro
is very much better — the blue jay — proved, most
beneficial — it is freezing to-night 4 degrees below.
Capley, returned last evening, he crossed, botte,
going & coming in the Iron Duke — however,
he says, they broke their buckets he doubts,
they will have crossed to-day — I have a
head-ache — I feel low spirited — —

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Monday 15th Dec - Last night, such an awful
hurricane — I never heard any thing like it —
it blew, with such violence — that it was
really fearful — it rained & snowed — this
morning, very cold — the roads — a sheet of
ice — It has been fair & bright all day —
but very cold — Anna, is better — Caro
is all right again — very little snow
remaining — the sleighing is good — on
account of the icy roads — the wind, has
fallen — appeared of fine weather —

Bathurst of pigs to day

Tuesday 16th Dec. Intensely cold, this morning - it became milder, about noon - cloudy this afternoon - Henry continues to improve slowly - I made 78 lbs of apple jelly this afternoon - it is of a beautiful colour, a very transparent - the pigs were butchered - & they weighed 3069 lbs. Madam is busy making black-pudding, sauages & collored hens abundance - of nice things. - our pork, this year, is most beautiful -

House where
Wednesday 17th Dec. - very very cold all day - a piercing cold - in frigid air - Henry is better - I hope a trust, he will soon, enjoy better health - God grant him such a boon - Mr. King came to day - the roads - very good - this afternoon, Mr. Le Cure, went to St George - an intense cold evening - the Iron Duke taken in the ice at St Lambert - since last Monday - it is tuck fast, there - unable to move it off -

Thursday 18th Dec - most intense cold - the greatest
this season - 23 degrees at 4 o'clock a.m - the roads
very slippery - but, little snow - Henry is much
better - he continues to take Chloroform, in very
small doses - he finds benefit from it -
we have returned from St George, this
afternoon - I was busy this morning, putting
away all the nice bandages, black providing
collared head - and six bags of beautiful lard -
which Nadeau sent me, from the
mill house - we 9 barrels of splendid pork -
independant of a barrel of cheeks & tongue -
a fearful cold night -

Friday 19th Dec - a continuation of intense cold
24^{1/2} degrees this morning - about noon -
it relaxed a became bearable - this
morning when I went to Mass - I was
frozen - I did not allow Caw to come -
fearing she would take cold - Henry
continues to improve slowly - cloudy, this
morning - it looks like snow - we had
nice fresh cold for dinner to-day - for
the first time, this season -

Saturday 20th Dec - See - a perfect hurricane, all day -
strong south wind - it snowed, rained & haled -
it was so tempestuous - hardly could we walk
to church, this morning - it continued stormy
all day - but very mild - quite a thaw - fully
went to Bedford to see the Agricultural Show -
Henry still suffers from his back - Francis
complained for a few hours of a violent pain
along his ear - it had quite dispelled - I finished
filling my second chair - to day - Jane
reported at it - I will make a Christmas offering, I
think - to my dear children or continued to
be very cold - raining to night -

Sunday 21st Dec - Bright & fair - not very cold
this morning - became colder about noon -
the snow has quite melted away - the
roads - glare ice - a great many people
at church - Henry, not yet well enough to
venture out - beautiful skating -

Monday 22nd Dec - Beautiful weather, cold a bright -
Henry better to day - a butchered a cow to day -
we 559 lbs - good beef - Iavo took a walk on the ice
opposite the house - saw a fox - not very cold,
this evening - appearance of more fine weather -

Tuesday 23rd Dec - This morning cloudy cleared up - bright & pleasant - although cold after breakfast, Stein went to Bedford - to preside ~~at~~ the County Council - he had not been out for several weeks - he again took blue jills to night with a cow both a long walk in the woods after which - Wally drove Francis to Lathochelle's - to go & see after some timber - I have a head-ache this evening -

Wednesday 24th Dec. an awful morning, snow with a strong wind from the N.W. we could hardly walk against the wind this morning - it has been snowing all day - a little drifting - Stein not as well as yesterday - Francis fell on the ice - yesterday he feels a severe pain in his back - Madam has made a brilliant parure for the Midnight Mass - I doubt, there will be, many people - weather boisterous - to-morrow I will say a word about the grand Festival -
de bien tristes Letes - Pour moi -

Thursday 25th Dec. Christmas Day - with a boisterous quite a stormy weather - very cold - the Mid-night Mass was magnificent - a great many people attended - so quiet aстыfing - so pious - the altar was most brilliant - the whole of the church - so well lighted - Stein was not well enough to attend - Francis neither at grand Mass - also, a great number came

Henry, felt, better this morning & came to Mass —
The singing was very fair — the solo Broad
given by Mr. le Curé was very nice — I enjoyed
Whistler's beautiful music — in the afternoon
Lucie & Aubin came to sing Vespers, which
were at 7 o'clock — Mr. Cuse came up to the
organ — which, of course — improved the singing very
much — he sang the 'Angelus' very beautifully — he
was quite in voice — the coup d'œil of the altar
was most brilliant — Lucie & Aubin remain until
to-morrow — Francis is rather better —

Friday 26th Dec. very cold — bright & fair — after breakfast
Lucie & Aubin returned to his home — Henry went out with
Willy to take a short drive — he took Vero horse — he liked him —
Francis continues better — appearance of very bad weather —
I have a headache — little inclined to
scribble — Mr. le Curé has purchased a very
handsome grey horse from a Barberian,
of Henryville — paid £30 for him — Henry says
he is, the making of a fine large horse —

Saturday 27th Dec. cold & stormy this morning —
much foudre, during the night — the wind
from the west — quite a sore day — such
a piercing cold wind — Willy went down to
the Falls, this afternoon — found the roads
very full, very bad — Henry, still asleep,

a pain in his back I rather think, it is more
rheumatic; than gouty — Francis still suffers,
from his fall — it is blowing a strong wind
from the west again, to-night — dear Cass
has a cold — the coughs, since a few days, she
has remained, indoors — on that account —

Sunday 28th Dec — This morning cloudy — not very
cold - 10 degrees — a great many people at church —
Huri was well enough, to attend — Francis is
better — still, not yet, quite well — Cass's cold,
is very much better — Hespire Litzgerald came
in, a few moments, before dinner — he says
the winds, in some places — are very bad —
it looks like snow, to-night —

Monday 29th Dec — Cloudy now & then a few
particles of snow — very mild — after luncheon
Hespire Fitzgerald returned to Durham — Huri
drove down, as far as Whitney's — at 'pa past 2 o'clock
P.M. Mr & Mrs Willy left for St John's — that is,
they will sleep at the Athenaeum at Hespire Dufresne's —
I feel quite lost, without my dear son — Miss him
so much — the winds are bad — it is still,

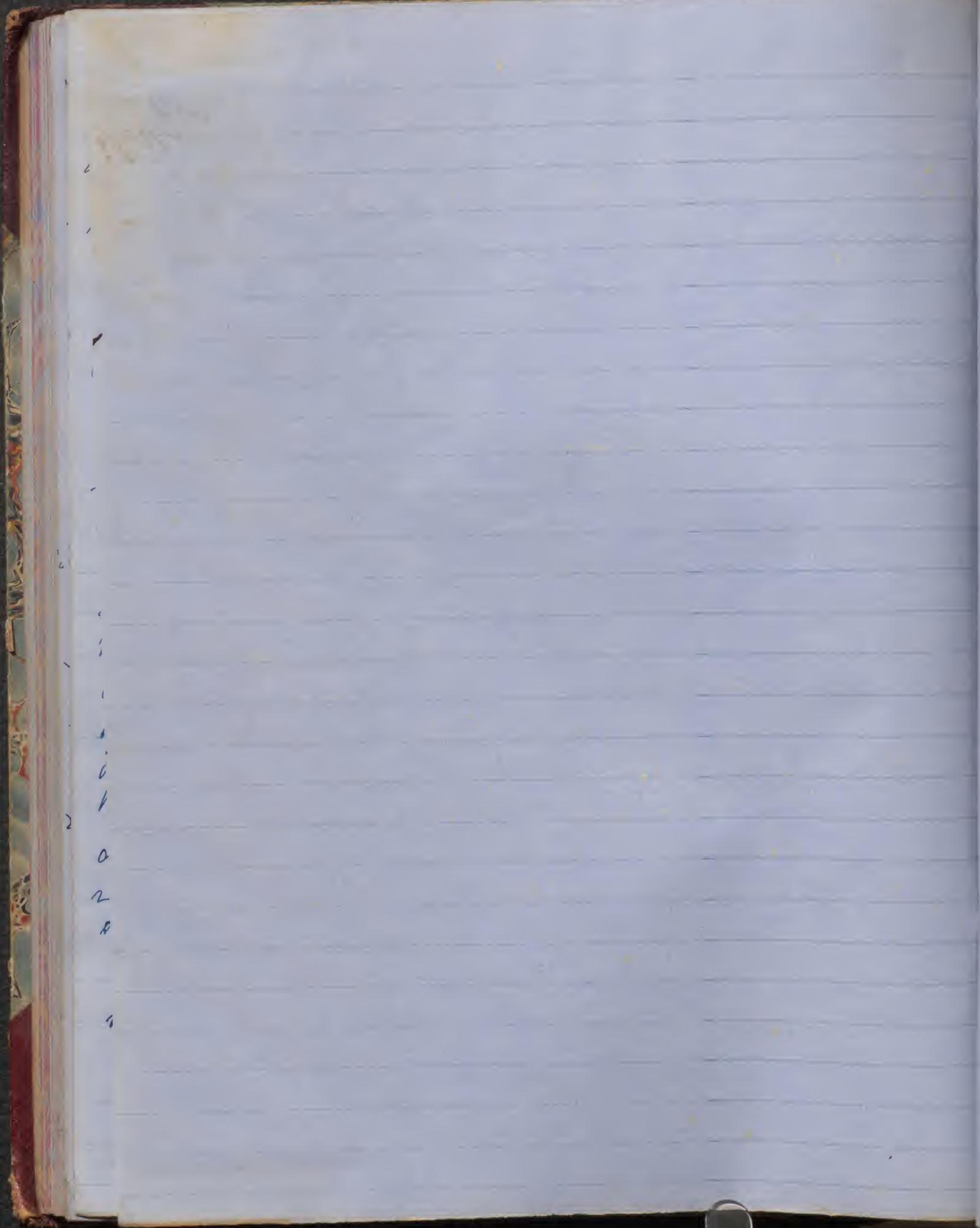
nitel, this evening - appearance of snow —
Hans complains of a pain in his shoulder, elbow,
and back. I sincerely hope - it is only rheumatic
pains - God! spare him of gout —

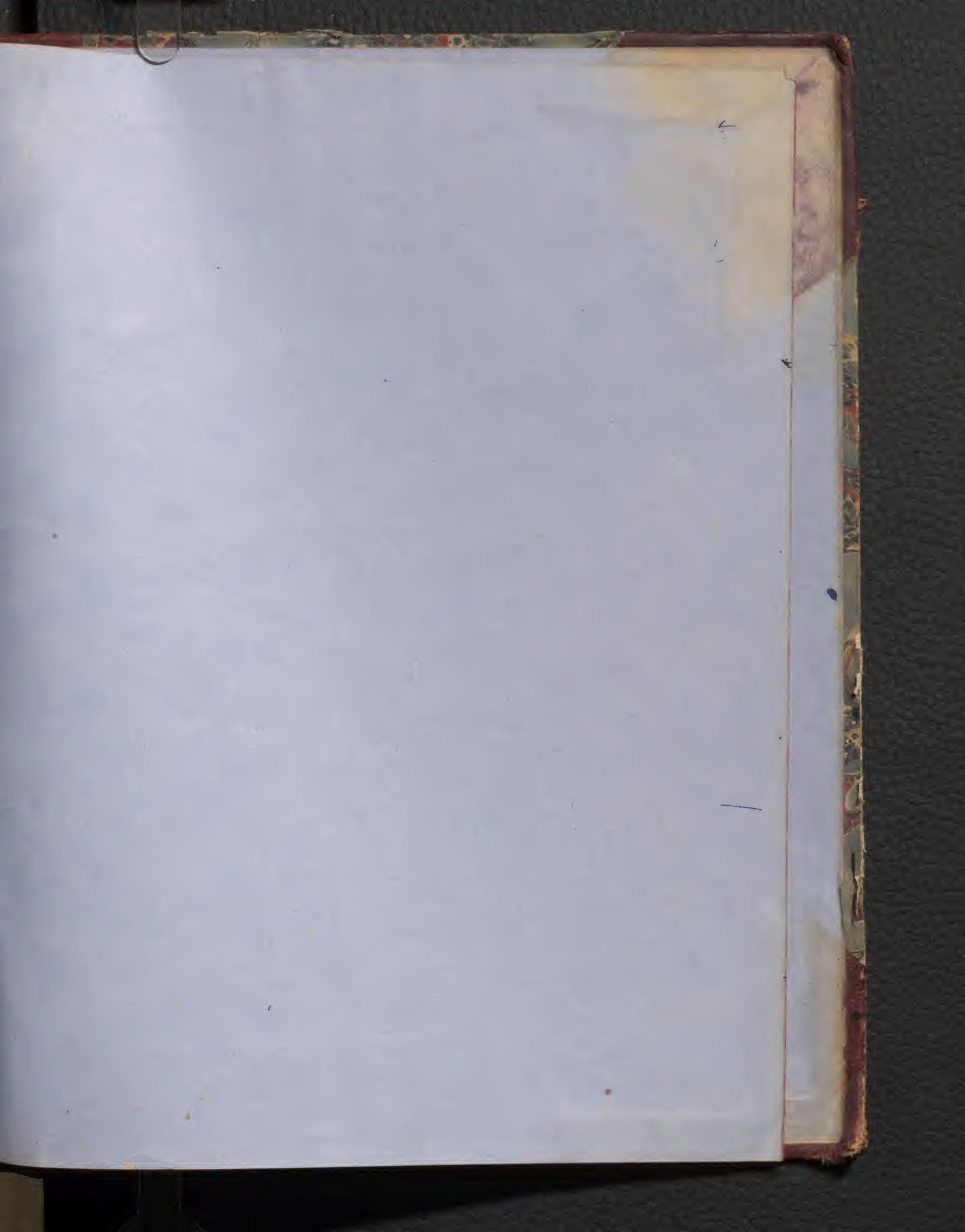
Tuesday 30th Dec - very mild & cloudy - it thawed
to - Day - poor Hans, is again laid up, with
the gout - it is really most dreadful, to see
him in such constant pain; he suffers, very
much, from a pain in his shoulder, responding,
in his neck - he so says, he feels gouty, in
all his limbs - but, particularly, about the trunk -
When he coughs, he suffers - I feel so anxious,
and miserable, to see him in that cruel
state - since October, he has had the gout
off and on - I fear, he is laid up, for
a great while - God! grant him strength
and courage to bear it all - — dear Tilly
returned this afternoon, with her le Crie, from
the Athenases - he is delighted with his trip -
Dear Caro has had a head-ache to - day
she did not go out, in consequence —
appearance of a continuation of mild weather.

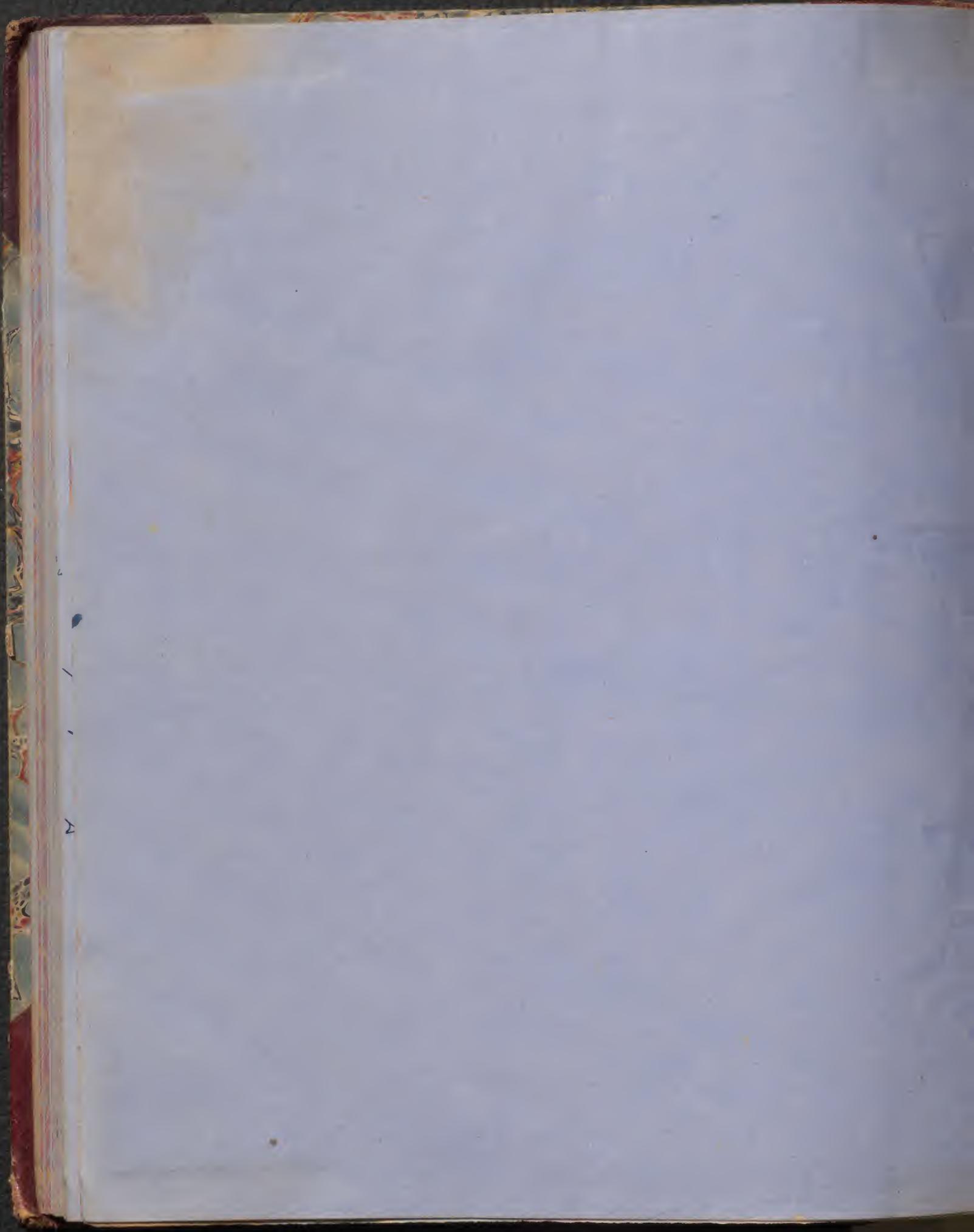
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Wednesday 31st December This is the last day of
156 - What is in store for us, during the year 1857?
God, alone, knows, it all - may we always, be
resigned and submissive to His divine will -

May, my poor Henn enjoy better health -
may he succeed & prosper, in all his under-
takings - my dearest children; may they continue
to be good and pious - to persevere, in their
studies - may their path, be strewed with roses -
or, at least, possess, that mind & courage - (helped
by self-denial) to bow down, in all things, to
the decrees of Providence - I feel very low
spirited - I shall, so miss, my dearest mother -
particularly, to-morrow morning - she will not
be there, to give me her blessing - Dearest Mother,
bless me, from above! - - Henn is rather
better to-day - his gouty pains - have diminished;
he still feels, a stiffness - but nothing like
last evening - Cochen's Balsamicum - certainly
proves, most beneficial - every time, he
takes it - Weather mild - it threatens snow,
since a couple days - we have not, seen
the sun, for some days - water, low -
must grit, at the mill -







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